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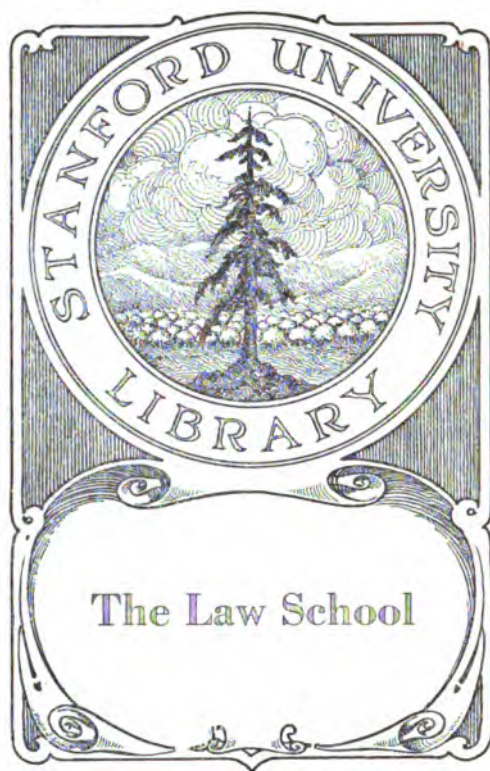
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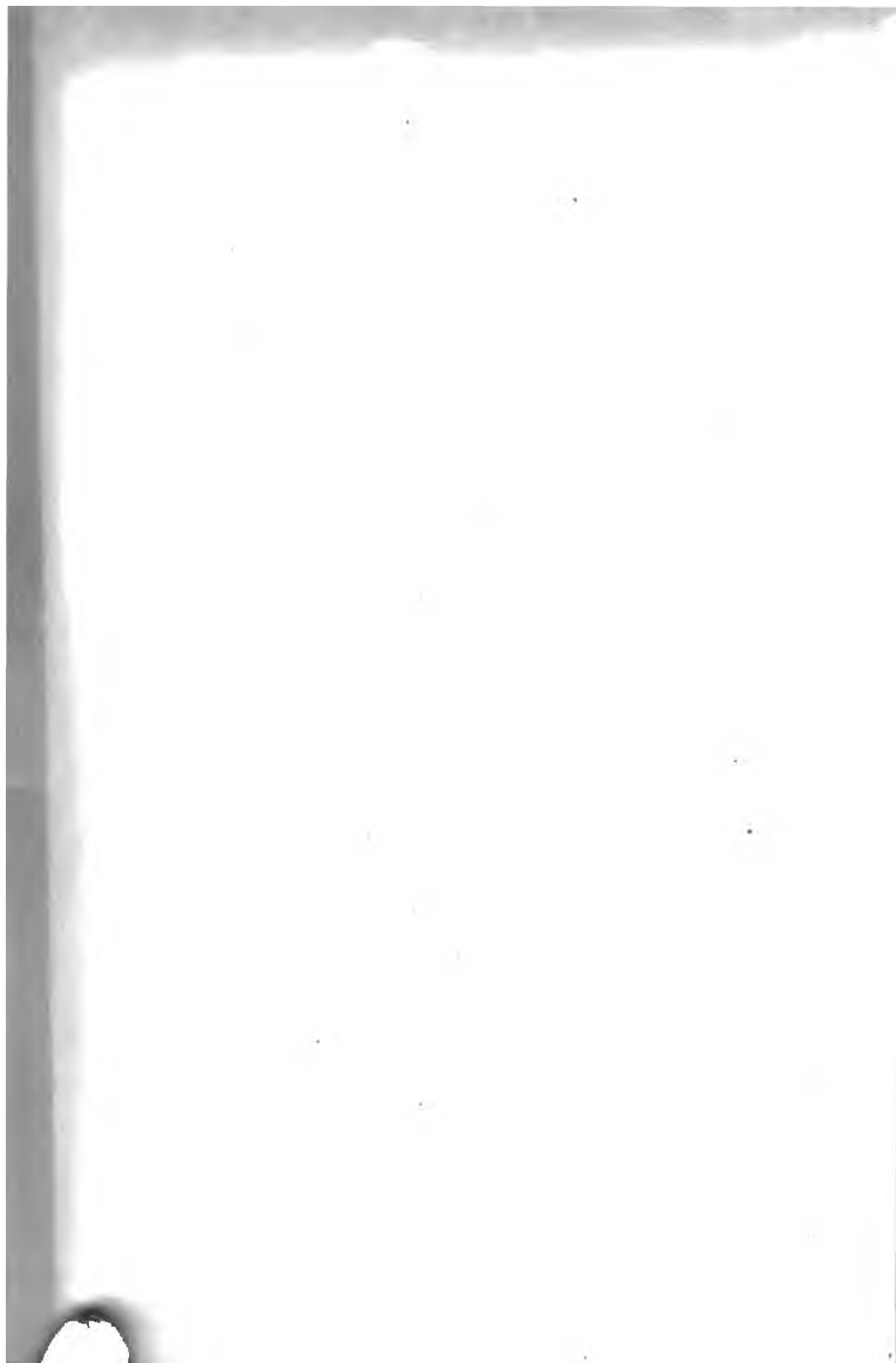
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**Chapter 174.**

An Act in relation to the Bonds of Trustees and Guardians.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in  
Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Whenever a trustee or guardian settles an account in probate court, the judge of probate shall examine his bond, and shall endorse thereon the fact that such examination has been made. If he finds the bond insufficient in amount, or the sureties unsatisfactory, he shall require a new bond, in such amount and with such sureties as he may approve, and such trustee or guardian, failing to give such new bond, shall be removed.

When an account is settled in probate court, judge shall examine bond, and may require new bond, etc.

Approved January 29, 1897.

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**Chapter 175.**

An Act to amend Chapter one hundred and thirty-six of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to contributions by Husbands and Fathers to the support of Wives and Children.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in  
Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Chapter one hundred and thirty-six of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five is hereby amended by inserting in the sixth line after the word "court" the following words,

Chapter 136,  
public laws  
1895,  
amended.

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A husband and father living apart from his family, may be compelled to contribute to support of wife or minor children.

'in term time or vacation;' and by adding to said chapter the following words, 'execution may also issue for said sums when payable;' so that said chapter, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Chapter 136. Whenever a man, having a wife, a minor child, or both, residing in this state, and from whom he lives apart, and being of sufficient ability, or being able to labor and provide for them, willfully and without reasonable cause, refuses or neglects to provide suitable maintenance for them, the supreme judicial court, in term time or vacation, in the county where the wife or children reside, on petition of the wife for herself, and for such children, or of such children, by their guardian; after such notice to the husband or father as it may order, and hearing, may order him to contribute to the support of his wife, if the separation was without her fault, and to the support of such children, such sums payable weekly, monthly or quarterly, as are deemed reasonable and just, and may enforce obedience by appropriate decrees. Execution may also issue for said sums, when payable.'

Approved, February 2, 1897.

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**Chapter 176.**

An Act to amend Section one of Chapter one hundred and twenty-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to Forgery.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 1,  
chapter 121,  
R. S.,  
amended.

Forgery of,  
and publish-  
ing as true,  
forged  
records and  
written  
instru-  
ments, how  
punished.

Section one of chapter one hundred and twenty-one of the revised statutes, is hereby amended, so as to read as follows:

'Sect. 1. Whoever, with intent to defraud, falsely makes, alters, forges, or counterfeits, any public record or proceeding filed or entered in any court; or process issued, or purporting to be issued by a competent court, magistrate, or officer; or attestation or certificate of any person required by law, or receivable as legal proof in relation to any matter; or any charter, deed, will, testament, bond, writing obligatory, power of attorney, letter of credit, policy of insurance, bill of lading, bill of exchange, promissory note, order of acceptance, or indorsement or assignment thereof, or of any debt or contract; or acquittance, discharge, or accountable receipt for anything of value; or any other written instrument of another or purport-

ing to be such, by which any pecuniary demand or obligation or any right in any property is or purports to be created, increased, conveyed, transferred, diminished, or discharged; and whoever utters and publishes as true any instrument before mentioned, knowing it to be false, forged, or counterfeit, with like intent, shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than ten years.'

Approved February 8, 1897.

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**Chapter 177.**

An Act to correct a clerical error in Chapter sixty-one of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, relating to Migratory Fish.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

The words "weirs," in the fourth line in section seventeen of chapter forty of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter sixty-one of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, is hereby stricken out and the word 'rivers' be inserted in lieu thereof.

Section 17,  
chapter 40,  
R. S.,  
further  
amended.

Approved February 8, 1897.

**Chapter 178.**

An Act to amend Section seventeen, Chapter sixty of the Revised Statutes, relating to change of name in Divorce Proceedings.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section seventeen of chapter sixty of the revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting after the word "require" in the fourth line of the section, the following words; 'change the name of the wife, at her request,' so that the section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 17,  
chapter 60,  
R. S.,  
amended.

'Sect. 17. The court making a decree of nullity, or of divorce, may also decree concerning the care, custody, and support of the minor children of the parties, and with which parent any of them shall live; alter the decree from time to time as circumstances require; change the name of the wife, at her request; and in execution of the power given in this chapter,

Disposal of  
minor  
children.

**CHAP. 179** may employ any compulsory process which it deems proper, by execution, attachment, or other effective form.'

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 6, 1897.

### Chapter 179.

An Act to amend Section thirty-eight of Chapter sixty-three of the Revised Statutes, relative to notice in Probate Proceedings.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 38,  
chapter 63,  
R. S.,  
amended.

Sect. 1. Section thirty-eight of chapter sixty-three of the revised statutes, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "county," in the third line, the words 'whose court has jurisdiction, or in which the deceased last dwelt, as ordered by the judge,' so that said section shall read as follows:

Notice in  
probate  
proceed-  
ings,  
defined.

'Sect. 38. In laws relating to probate courts and proceedings, the words "public notice" denote notice published three weeks successively in a newspaper published in the county whose court has jurisdiction, or in which the deceased last dwelt, as ordered by the judge. or, if none, in the state paper; the words "personal notice" denote service by a copy given in hand, or left at the place of last and usual abode, seven days at least before the time of hearing; and the words "due notice" denote public or personal notice, at the discretion of the judge.'

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 8, 1897.

### Chapter 180.

An Act to repeal Section forty-two of Chapter one hundred and forty of the Revised Statutes, relating to re-sentencing convicts sentenced to the State Prison.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 42,  
chapter 140,  
R. S.,  
repealed.

Sect. 1. Section forty-two of chapter one hundred and forty of the revised statutes is hereby repealed.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 8, 1897.

**Chapter 181.**

An Act relating to Expenditures of the Railroad Commissioners.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Commencing with January one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, the board of railroad commissioners may annually expend the sum of twelve hundred dollars, additional to the amount now provided by law, in procuring maps, books, stationery and statistics, clerk and stenographic assistance, and in defraying expenses incidental and necessary to the discharge of its duties and in procuring the assistance of a mechanical expert in the examination of iron bridges. The amount named herein to be raised in the same manner as provided by section four of chapter three hundred and thirteen of the public laws of one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.

Railroad commissioners authorized to expend additional amount of money for expenses.

Approved February 8, 1897.

**Chapter 182.**

An Act to amend Section thirty-one of Chapter eighty-three of the Revised Statutes, relating to Unpaid Executions issued by deceased Trial Justices.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section thirty-one of chapter eighty-three of the revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting the words 'or who has deceased' between the words "commissioned" and "may" in the third line thereof, so that said section shall read as follows:

'Sect. 31. Executions remaining unsatisfied, in whole or in part, issued by a trial justice whose commission has expired, or who has removed from the county for which he was commissioned, or who has deceased, may be renewed by any trial justice in the same county, upon such vouchers as would be required by the trial justice who rendered the judgment.'

Section 31, chapter 83, R. S., amended.

Unsatisfied executions of a trial justice, may be renewed by any other trial justice in same county.

Approved February 8, 1897.

CHAP. 183**Chapter 183.**

An Act to amend Section six of Chapter seventy-eight of the Revised Statutes, relating to the January term of the County Commissioners' Court of Hancock County.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 6,  
[chapter 78,  
R. S.,]  
amended.

Section six is hereby amended in paragraph six by striking out the word "fourth," and in lieu thereof inserting the word 'third,' so that said paragraph shall read: 'Hancock on the third Tuesday of January, and the second Tuesdays of April and October.'

Approved February 8, 1897.

**Chapter 184.**

An Act to amend Section four of Chapter one hundred and twenty-four, Revised Statutes, relating to Polygamy.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 4,  
chapter 124,  
R. S., as  
amended by  
chapter 369,  
public laws  
1886, further  
amended.

Section four of chapter one hundred and twenty-four of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter three hundred and fifty-nine of the public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five, is hereby amended, so as to read as follows:

Polygamy,  
its punish-  
ment and  
where tried.

'Sect. 4. If any person, except one legally divorced, or one whose husband or wife has been continually absent for seven years, and not known to him or her to be living within that time, having a husband or wife living, marries another married or single person; or if any unmarried person knowingly marries the husband or wife of another, when such husband or wife is thereby guilty of polygamy, he or she shall be deemed guilty of polygamy and punished by imprisonment for not more than five years, or by fine not exceeding five hundred dollars; and the indictment for such offense may be found and tried in the county where the offender resides, or where he or she is apprehended.'

Approved February 15, 1897.

**Chapter 185.**

An Act to amend Section one of Chapter two hundred and seven of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, relating to Clerk of Judicial Courts in Piscataquis County,

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section one of chapter two hundred and seven of the public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, is hereby amended by striking out, after the word "quarterly," in the fourth line thereof, all of the remaining words of said section and substituting therefor, the words, 'on the last days of March, June, September and December, and all fees of his office as established by law,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 1,  
chapter 207,  
public laws  
1889,  
amended.

'Sect. 1. The clerk of the judicial courts of the county of Piscataquis, shall hereafter receive an annual compensation of seven hundred dollars, to be paid out of the county treasury of said county, quarterly, on the last days of March, June, September and December and all fees of his office as established by law.'

Salary of  
clerk of  
courts,  
Piscata-  
quis county,  
fixed.

Approved February 15, 1897.

**Chapter 186.**

An Act additional to Chapter fifty-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to Railroads.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. A railroad corporation, which has a lease of, or which operates the railroad of another railroad corporation may purchase and hold shares of the capital stock of such corporation.

A railroad  
operating  
another  
road may  
hold shares  
in such  
road.

Sect. 2. A railroad corporation, which owns a majority of the capital stock of another railroad corporation, may purchase further shares of the capital stock of such corporation and hold the same together with the shares which it now owns.

A corpo-  
ration  
owning  
majority of  
stock in  
another  
road, may  
purchase  
shares.

Sect. 3. If a railroad corporation requires additional land for the purpose of improving the alignment of its road or if it requires additional land for double tracking its road, and is unable to obtain the same by agreement with the owner, it may

A railroad  
corpora-  
tion requir-  
ing addi-  
tional land  
for improv-

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ing alignment of its road, may take it as for public uses, when unable to agree with owner.

—railroad commissioners may determine manner of taking such land.

—public notice required.

—corporation shall be subject to general laws.

A railroad corporation may increase its capital stock in certain cases, beyond amount first authorized.

apply in writing to the railroad commissioners, describing the land required for either or both of said purposes, and naming the persons interested; the commissioners shall thereupon appoint a time for hearing near the premises and require notice to be given to persons interested as they may direct, fourteen days at least before said time; and shall then view the premises, hear the parties and determine how much, if any, of such real estate is required for either or both of said purposes. If they find that any of it is so required they shall furnish the corporation with a certificate containing a definite description thereof, and when it is filed with the clerk of courts in the county where the land lies, it shall be deemed and treated as taken as and for public uses; provided, however, that when land is held by a tenant for life, and the reversion is contingent as to the persons in whom it may vest on the termination of the life estate, such fact shall be stated in the application, and the commissioners shall, in addition to the notice to the tenant for life, give notice by publication to all others interested, in such manner as they deem proper. In taking such land the corporation shall be subject to the provisions of section seventeen of chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes, and shall be subject with respect thereto to all the general laws existing or which may be hereafter passed relating to railroad corporations.

Sect. 4. A railroad corporation for the purpose of building a branch railroad track which it is or may be authorized to build, or of aiding in the construction of another railroad pursuant to law, or of building depots, or of abolishing grade crossings, or of making permanent improvements, or of paying its floating debt, or of paying its funded debt, or for the payment of money borrowed for any lawful purpose, or for the purchase of shares of the capital stock of any railroad corporation whose railroad is leased to or operated by it, or for the purchase of shares of the capital stock of any railroad corporation of which capital stock it owns a majority, or for improving the alignment of its road, or for acquiring land for and laying new tracks, or for other necessary and lawful purposes, from time to time, with the approval of the railroad commissioners as hereinafter provided, may increase its capital stock beyond the amount now fixed by law, provided such increase shall first be authorized by vote of a majority of stock present or represented, at a legal meeting of the corporation duly called for that purpose.



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Sect. 5. Upon petition of the directors of the railroad corporation to the board of railroad commissioners, the amount of such increase after such notice by publication as the commissioners shall order, and after hearing shall be determined by said commissioners, who shall within thirty days after final hearing of said petition, file in the office of the secretary of state a certificate showing the amount of increase authorized and the purposes for which the proceeds of said new stock may be used; and the company shall not apply such increase or the proceeds thereof to any purpose not specified in said certificate, and may be enjoined from so doing by any justice of the supreme court upon application of the board or of any interested party.

Certificate of increase, and how proceeds shall be applied, shall be filed in office of secretary of state.

—proceeds shall be used for specific purpose only.

Sect. 6. All shares of stock issued under the provisions of this act shall be sold by public auction and to the highest bidder in the city of Boston, in the commonwealth of Massachusetts, or in such city or town as may be prescribed by the railroad commissioners, and a notice of the time and place of such sale shall be published at least five times during the ten days immediately preceding the time fixed for the sale, in such daily newspapers, not less than three in number, as may be prescribed by the commissioners.

How stock shall be sold.

Sect. 7. Any member of the board of directors, or any treasurer or other officer or agent of any railroad company, who knowingly votes to authorize the issue of, or knowingly signs, certifies or issues, stock authorized by the provisions of this act, contrary to its provisions or who knowingly votes to authorize the application of, or knowingly applies the proceeds of such stock contrary to the provisions of this act, or who knowingly votes to assume or incur, or who knowingly assumes or incurs, in the name or behalf of such corporation, any debt or liability except for the legitimate purposes of the corporation, shall be punishable by a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars, or by imprisonment not exceeding one year, or by both fine and imprisonment.

Penalty for issuing stock contrary to the provisions of this act.

Sect. 8. Nothing herein contained shall be construed as a repeal of any of the powers conferred upon any railroad corporation under any existing provision of law.

This act shall not repeal any of the powers of railroad corporations.

CHAP. 187**Chapter 187.**

An Act to amend Section eight, Chapter forty-nine of the Revised Statutes, providing for investments of the capital and other assets of stock insurance companies incorporated in this State.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 8,  
chapter 49,  
R. S.,  
amended.

Sect. 1. Said section eight is hereby amended by striking out all of said section after the words "shall be invested in," in the third line thereof, and substituting therefor the following: 'such manner and in such funds, stocks and bonds, as it is provided savings banks of this state may invest in, as provided in chapter forty-seven, section one hundred, of the revised statutes of this state and acts additional and amendatory thereto, and said insurance companies shall be restricted in their investments in the same manner as are the savings banks of this state,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Capital and  
assets, how  
to be  
invested.

'Sect. 8. The capital and other assets of stock insurance companies, incorporated in this state, except such as may be needed for immediate use, shall be invested in such manner and in such funds, stocks and bonds, as it is provided savings banks of this state may invest in, as provided in chapter forty-seven, section one hundred, of the revised statutes of this state and acts additional and amendatory thereto, and said insurance companies shall be restricted in their investments in the same manner as are the savings banks of this state.'

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 18, 1897.

**Chapter 188.**

An Act to amend Section fifty-nine, Paragraph six of said section of Chapter three of the Revised Statutes, in relation to Town, Village and City by-laws and ordinances.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Paragraph six of section fifty-nine of chapter three of the revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting, after the word "obstructions," in the second line, the words 'regulate the use thereof,' so that said paragraph, as amended, shall read as follows:

Paragraph 6, section 59, chapter 3, R. S., amended.

'VI. For setting off portions of their streets for sidewalks, and keep them clear of snow and other obstructions, regulate the use thereof, and for planting and preserving trees by the side thereof.'

Sidewalks and planting of trees.

Approved February 16, 1897.

**Chapter 189.**

An Act to increase the salary of the Judge of Probate of the County of Knox.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

On and after the first day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, the salary of the judge of probate of the county of Knox shall be five hundred dollars per annum, instead of the sum now established by law.

Salary of judge of probate, Knox county, fixed.

Approved February 16, 1897.

**Chapter 190.**

An Act to amend Chapter one hundred and sixty of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to the State Liquor Commissioner.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section four of chapter one hundred and sixty of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, is hereby amended by striking out all of said section after the word "purchased," in line ten of said section, and inserting in lieu thereof, 'and after

Section 4, chapter 160, public laws 1895, amended.

**CHAP. 191** the commissioner's accounts shall have been audited and allowed by the governor and council, he shall pay any and all balance of such ten per cent so received by him, to the state treasurer, on or before the first day of January, annually;' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Liquor com-  
missioner  
prohibited  
from  
borrowing  
money.

'Sect. 4. The commissioner is prohibited from borrowing money of any party or parties of whom he may purchase liquors. He shall not sell to municipal officers of this state any intoxicating liquors, except such as have been inspected or tested and found to be pure, in the manner aforesaid, under a penalty of not less than one hundred or more than five hundred dollars, to be recovered by indictment. He shall take of such officers for such pure, unadulterated liquors, and for all malt liquors sold to them, ten per cent above the cost thereof at the place where they were by him purchased, and after the commissioner's accounts shall have been audited and allowed by the governor and council, he shall pay any and all balance of such ten per cent so received by him, to the state treasurer, on or before the first day of January, annually.'

Approved February 16, 1897.

## Chapter 191.

An Act in relation to Suits by organized unincorporated Societies and Associations.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Organized,  
unincorpo-  
rated  
societies  
may main-  
tain actions  
at law.

Any organized unincorporated society or association may sue in the name of its trustees for the time being, and may maintain an action at law, though the defendant or defendants or some of them are members of the same society or association.

Approved February 16, 1897.

**Chapter 192.**

An Act in addition to Chapter fifty-five of the Revised Statutes, relating to the incorporation of Libraries, Charitable Societies, and other like corporations.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

The president, treasurer and majority of the directors or trustees of every corporation hereafter organized under the provisions of chapter fifty-five of the revised statutes shall, within sixty days after organization, prepare a certificate setting forth the name and purposes of the corporation, the town where located, the number and names of the officers, and shall sign and make oath to it, and shall file the same in the office of the secretary of state, and the secretary of state shall keep a list of the same in a book prepared for that purpose, showing the name, location, and date of organization of each such corporation.

Corporations organized under chapter 55, R. S., shall file certificate of organization with secretary of state.

Approved February 16, 1897.

**Chapter 193.**

An Act to amend Rule Four of Section one of Chapter seventy-five of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Section one of Chapter one hundred and fifty-seven of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to Descent of Real Estate.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Rule four of section one of chapter seventy-five of the revised statutes, as amended by section one of chapter one hundred and fifty-seven of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five is hereby amended by inserting between the words "remainder" and "descends" in the third line thereof, the words 'or if no such issue, father or mother the whole,' so that said rule, as amended, shall read as follows:

Rule 4, section 1, chapter 75, R. S., as amended by public laws 1895, further amended.

'IV. If no such issue or father, it descends one-half to his mother. If no such issue or mother, it descends one-half to his father. In either case, the remainder, or if no such issue, father or mother the whole, descends in equal shares to his brothers and sisters, and when a brother or sister has died, to his or her children or grandchildren by right of representation.'

Mother.

—father

—brothers and sisters.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 16, 1897.

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## Chapter 194.

An Act relating to the salary of the County Commissioners of Cumberland County.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Salary of  
commis-  
sioners of  
Cumber-  
land  
county,  
fixed.

—payable  
quarterly.

Sect. 1. From and after the first day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, the compensation of each of the county commissioners of the county of Cumberland shall be a salary, the chairman shall receive the sum of ten hundred and fifty dollars and each of the other commissioners shall receive the sum of nine hundred and fifty dollars annually, payable from the county treasury, in quarterly payments, on the first days of April, July, October and January, in full for all services, expenses and travel, including the management of the jail workshop and the sale of its products, except actual necessary cash expenses incurred outside of the county for the transaction of official business, all bills for such expenses to be approved by the clerk of courts and county attorney of said county; at least a majority of said board shall be in attendance at their office in Portland on all secular days except when official business calls them elsewhere.

Inconsist-  
ent acts,  
repealed.

Sect. 2. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 17, 1897.

## Chapter 195.

An Act to establish a bounty on Wildcats.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Bounty on  
wildcats,  
estab-  
lished.

—how paid.

Sect. 1. A bounty of two dollars for every wildcat killed in any town or township shall be paid by the treasurer thereof to the person killing it, upon compliance with the conditions provided by law in the case of the bounty upon wolves and bears. If the place of killing is an unorganized plantation, the bounty shall be paid by the treasurer of any adjoining town if any, otherwise by the treasurer of the town nearest said plantation. The bounties so paid shall be repaid to such towns or

townships upon the terms provided in section seven of chapter **CHAP. 196** thirty of the revised statutes.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 19, 1897.

### Chapter 196.

An Act to amend Section one of chapter seventy-five of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter one hundred and fifty-seven of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to Title by Descent.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Paragraph I in section one of chapter seventy-five of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter one hundred and fifty-seven of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

'I. If he leaves a widow and issue, one-third to the widow. If no issue, one half to the widow. And if no kindred, the whole to the widow. And to the widower shall descend the same shares in his wife's real estate. There shall likewise descend to the widow or widower the same share in all such real estate of which the deceased was seized during coverture, and which has not been barred or released as herein provided. In any event, one third shall descend to the widow or widower free from the payment of debts.'

Section 1, chapter 75, R. S., as amended by chapter 157, public laws 1895, further amended.

To widow.

—widower.

—one-third to widow or widower, free from payment of debts.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 19, 1897.

### Chapter 197.

An Act to amend Section four, Chapter two hundred and fifty-six of Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to the sale and analysis of Commercial Fertilizers.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section four of chapter two hundred and fifty-six of public laws for eighteen hundred and ninety-three is hereby amended by striking out the words "of which thirty tons or more are" so that said section, when amended, shall read as follows:

Section 4, chapter 256, public laws 1893, amended.

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Analysis  
and fees.—certifi-  
cate of  
compli-  
ance.—when fee  
is paid by  
manufact-  
urer, pay-  
ment shall  
not be  
required of  
agent.

'Sect. 4. Any manufacturer, importer, agent or seller of any commercial fertilizer, who shall deposit with the director of the Maine Experiment Station a sample or samples of fertilizer under the provisions of section two of this act, shall pay annually to said director an analysis fee as follows: Ten dollars for the phosphoric acid, and five dollars each for the nitrogen and potash, contained or said to be contained in the fertilizer, this fee to be assessed on any brand sold in the state, and upon receipt of such fee and of the certified statement named in section two of this act, said director shall issue a certificate of compliance with this act. Whenever the manufacturer or importer of a fertilizer shall have filed the statement made in section two of this act and paid the analysis fee, no agent or seller of said manufacturer, importer or shipper shall be required to file such statement or pay such fee. The analysis fees received by said director shall be paid immediately by him into the treasury of said experiment station.'

Approved February 24, 1897.

## Chapter 198.

An Act to amend Section seven of Chapter one hundred and thirty-six of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Section one of Chapter three hundred and eight of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five, relating to Fines and Forfeitures collected by trial justices and judges of municipal and police courts.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 7,  
chapter 126,  
R. S., as  
amended by  
chapter 808,  
public laws  
1886, further  
amended.

Magis-  
trates shall  
pay over  
fines to  
treasurer  
of county  
or town, or  
others  
entitled to  
same.

—penalty  
for neglect.

Section seven of chapter one hundred and thirty-six of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter three hundred and eight of public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five, is hereby amended, so as to read as follows:

'Sect. 7. Every trial justice or judge of a municipal or police court shall render, under oath, an account of all fines and forfeitures upon convictions and sentences before him, and pay them over within two months after he receives the same; to the treasurer of the town if they accrue to the town, and to the treasurer of the county if they accrue to the state or county, or any corporation, person, society or association, in whole or in part, for the use of the party entitled thereto; and for any neglect in making such payments, he forfeits in each instance double the amount so neglected to be paid over, to be recov-



ered by indictment for the parties entitled to such fines and forfeitures, and in default of payment, according to the sentence of the court, he shall be imprisoned in jail not exceeding six months.'

Approved February 24, 1897.

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### **Chapter 199.**

An Act in relation to Voluntary Trusts.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

The provisions of section five, chapter sixty-eight of the revised statutes are hereby made applicable to cases of voluntary trusts, arising under section fifteen of said chapter.

Approved February 24, 1897.

Section 5,  
chapter 68,  
R. S., made  
applicable  
to voluntary  
trusts  
under  
section 15.

### **Chapter 200.**

An Act relating to service of process on Foreign Corporations acting as trustees under mortgages.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

In case of the mortgage of the franchises, lands or other hereditaments by any domestic corporation to a foreign corporation as trustee, service of process may be made on any authorized agent of such foreign corporation in the state, or if no such agent can be found, such service may be made upon the bank examiner, who shall immediately notify the corporation by mail. Service made in either of said methods shall be valid and binding upon the corporation in every respect.

Approved February 24, 1897.

How  
service of  
process may  
be made on  
foreign cor-  
porations, in  
case of  
mortgage  
by domestic  
corpora-  
tion, as  
trustee.

CHAP. 201**Chapter 201.**

An Act to provide for the better protection of Public Records.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Cities and towns may provide safes and vaults.

Sect. 1. In cities and towns of more than thirteen hundred inhabitants, the municipal officers shall provide, at the expense of their respective cities and towns, fire proof safes or vaults of ample size for the reception and preservation of all completed books of record and registry belonging to such cities and towns; and upon the completion of each of such books of record and registry, it shall be, by the clerk of such city or town, deposited in such safe or vault and there kept at all times, except when it is required for use.

Clerks shall make return to supreme judicial court, of books of record and registry.

Sect. 2. The clerks of all cities and towns shall, in the month of December in each year, make a return to the clerks of the supreme judicial courts in the several counties, showing the number and nature of such books of record and registry as are in their custody, and where they are kept and deposited; said return shall also show where the books of the municipal officers and treasurer are kept and deposited.

Penalty for neglect.

Sect. 3. Any city or town which neglects to perform the duties prescribed by section one of this act shall forfeit for each month so neglecting, the sum of ten dollars, one-half to the complainant and one-half to the county in which such city or town is located.

When act shall take effect.

Sect. 4. This act shall take effect January first, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

Approved February 24, 1897.

**Chapter 202.**

An Act to permit Inland Game to be taken for park purposes in this State.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Commissioners may grant permission to take game and birds for park purposes.

Sect. 1. The commissioners of inland fisheries and game are authorized to grant permission to take moose, caribou, deer and birds for park purposes in this state, under such rules and regulations and conditions as they shall establish.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 24, 1897.

### Chapter 203.

An Act relating to the Staff of the Commander-in-Chief.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The commander-in-chief is hereby empowered and authorized to appoint two additional aid-de-camps upon his staff, with the same rank as now provided by law for such officers.

Com-  
mander-in-  
chief  
authorized  
to appoint  
additional  
aid-de-  
camps.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 25, 1897.

### Chapter 204.

An Act to create a lien on Leather.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Whoever performs labor in any tannery where leather of any kind is manufactured completely or partially, whether such labor is performed directly on the hides and skins or in any capacity in or about the establishment, has a lien for his wages on all leather so manufactured in such tannery for labor performed by him or his co-laborers, for thirty days after such leather is made and manufactured, and until such leather is shipped on board a vessel or taken in a car, which lien may be enforced by attachment within that time.

Lien on  
leather, for  
wages,  
created.

Approved March 2, 1897.

### Chapter 205.

An Act to regulate the taking of Eels and White Fish.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

The commissioners of inland fisheries and game may, under such rules and regulations as they may establish, permit the taking of eels and white fish in the inland waters of the state.

Commis-  
sioners may  
regulate  
taking of  
eels and  
white fish.

Approved March 2, 1897.

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**Chapter 206.**

An Act to establish the salary of the Judge of Probate for the County of Lincoln

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Salary of  
judge of  
probate,  
county of  
Lincoln,  
estab-  
lished.

Sect. 1. The salary of the judge of probate for the county of Lincoln shall be four hundred dollars, instead of the sum now fixed by law.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 2, 1887.

**Chapter 207.**

An Act to amend Section two of Chapter sixty of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter one hundred and seventy-nine of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to Libels for Divorce.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 2,  
chapter 60,  
R. S., as  
amended by  
chapter 179,  
public laws  
1879, further  
amended.

Section two of chapter sixty of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter one hundred and seventy-nine of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, is hereby amended by adding after the word "proceedings" in the sixth line the following words, 'or if the libellee is a resident of this state,' so that said section shall read as follows:

In what  
cases  
divorce may  
be granted.

'Sect. 2. A divorce from the bonds of matrimony may be decreed by the supreme judicial court in the county where either party resides at the commencement of proceedings, for causes of adultery, impotence, extreme cruelty, utter desertion continued three consecutive years next prior to the filing of the libel, gross and confirmed habits of intoxication, cruel and abusive treatment, or on the libel of the wife, where the husband, being of sufficient ability, or being able to labor and provide for her, grossly, or wantonly and cruelly, refuses or neglects to provide suitable maintenance for her; provided, that the parties were married in this state or cohabited here after marriage; or if the libellant resided here when the cause of divorce accrued, or had resided here in good faith for one year prior to the commencement of proceedings, or if the libellee is a resident of this state. But when both parties have been guilty of adultery, or there is collusion between them to

procure a divorce, it shall not be granted. Either party may CHAP. 208  
be a witness.'

Approved March 2, 1897.

### Chapter 208.

An Act authorizing towns and cities to establish Sinking Funds.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Any town or city which has a funded indebtedness may create a sinking fund for the payment and redemption of such indebtedness, may raise money by taxation for such purpose, and may purchase its own bonds as well as other securities, and place them in such sinking fund.

Towns and cities authorized to create a sinking fund.

Sect. 2. Such sinking fund shall be used for no other purposes than those provided for in this act, and any town officer who shall use or appropriate the moneys or securities which compose such sinking fund in any other manner or for any other purpose, than as provided by this act, shall be punished by fine not exceeding two thousand dollars or by imprisonment for not more than two years.

How fund shall be used.

—penalty for misuse of.

Approved March 3, 1897.

### Chapter 209.

An Act to create a lien on Spool Timber and Bars.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Whoever labors at cutting, hauling or sawing of spool timber or in the manufacture of spool timber into spool bars and the piling of such bars or at cooking for persons engaged in such labor, has a lien thereon for the amount due for his personal services and the services performed by his team, which takes precedence of all other claims, and continues for sixty days after such timber or spool bars arrive at the place of destination for sale or manufacture, and may be enforced by attachment. The court may allow and apportion costs as in equity.

Lien created on spool timber for labor.

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Lien, how  
enforced.

Sect. 2. Section forty-two of chapter ninety-one of the revised statutes is hereby made applicable to suits brought to enforce the foregoing lien.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 3, 1897.

**Chapter 210.**

An Act to amend Section sixteen of Chapter two hundred and fifty-nine of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to Itinerant Vendors.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 6,  
chapter 259,  
public laws  
1893,  
amended.

Section sixteen of chapter two hundred and fifty-nine of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, is hereby amended by adding thereto the following words, 'but shall apply to retail sales of goods, wares and merchandise made from a car, steamer or vessel,' so that said section shall read as follows:

Act shall  
not apply to  
commercial  
travelers,  
selling by  
sample, or  
peddling  
from  
vehicles,  
steamer or  
vessel.

'Sect. 16. The provisions of this act shall not apply to sales made to dealers by commercial travelers or selling agents in the usual course of business, nor to bona fide sales of goods, wares and merchandise by sample for future delivery, or to hawkers on the streets or peddlers from vehicles, but shall apply to retail sales of goods, wares and merchandise made from a car, steamer or vessel.'

Approved March 3, 1897.

**Chapter 211.**

An Act to amend Sections one and two of Chapter three hundred and fifty-six of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five, relating to the salary of the Treasurer of the county of Waldo.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 1,  
chapter 356,  
public laws  
1885,  
amended.

Sect. 1. Section one of chapter three hundred and fifty-six of the public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five, is hereby amended as follows: By striking out the word "three" in the third line of said section, and inserting instead thereof, the

word 'four,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows: CHAP. 212

'Sect. 1. The salary of the treasurer of Waldo county shall be fixed by the county commissioners, but it shall not exceed four hundred dollars for each year, and in that proportion for any fractional part of a year.'

Salary of treasurer of Waldo county how fixed.

Sect. 2. Section two of said act is amended by striking out from section two of said act, the words "eighty-five," and inserting instead thereof the words 'ninety-seven,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 2, amended.

'Sect. 2. This act shall take effect on the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.'

When act shall take effect.

Approved March 3, 1897.

### Chapter 212.

An Act to amend Section forty-four of Chapter twenty-seven of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter two hundred and fifty-three of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to Intoxicating Liquors.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section forty-four of chapter twenty-seven of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the last sentence, and inserting in lieu thereof the following words:

Section 44, chapter 27, R. S., as amended by chapter 53, public laws 1893, further amended.

'A record of vessels forfeited shall be kept by each officer and returned to the county commissioners at their monthly session, and once in six months, or oftener, if they deem it advisable, the commissioners shall order such officers to sell the vessels at public or private sale, and pay the proceeds thereof into the county treasury,' so that said section, when amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 44. All spirituous and distilled liquors and all other liquors, declared forfeited by any court under this chapter, which shall have been found by said court to contain more than twenty per cent of alcohol, shall, by order of the court rendering final judgment thereon, be turned over to the sheriff of the county where such seizure was made, by any officer competent to serve the process on which they were forfeited, and he shall make return accordingly to said court; and said sheriff shall receipt to said officer therefor; said sheriff shall mingle said liquors together, and as soon as he has accumulated a quantity

Liquors forfeited by order of court.

—officer shall send out of the state, and have alcohol re-distilled therefrom.

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—officer shall contract with distiller, outside of state, to distill liquors and sell same for cash.

—shall take bond of distiller.

—fees of officer.

—all other forfeited liquors shall be destroyed.

—vessels may be sold.

Act shall not apply to sales already made.

equal to five barrels, he shall ship the same to some responsible rectifying distiller, outside of this state, and have the alcohol re-distilled therefrom, as is hereinafter provided. Said sheriffs shall annually contract with some responsible rectifying distiller, outside the limits of this state to take such liquors and distill the alcohol therefrom, and to account for and pay over to the treasurer of the county from which said liquors are received, in cash, at an agreed price for each gallon of one hundred degrees strength, determined by the United States internal revenue inspector at place of rectification. Before delivering any liquor under the aforesaid contract, the said sheriff shall take a bond, with sureties residing in this state, and to be approved by the treasurer of the county, from said rectifying distiller to the treasurer of his county, in the penal sum of one thousand dollars, conditioned that all of said liquors so received under said contract, shall be rectified and the alcohol distilled therefrom, and that the contractor will account for and pay over to the treasurer of said county from which said liquors are received, in cash, the amount due under said contract. In all suits upon bonds given under this section, the damages shall be the full penal sum of said bond. For all services in connection herewith, the said sheriff shall receive from the county treasurer five per cent of the net amount received from said contractor. All other liquors declared forfeited by any court under this chapter, shall, by order of the court rendering final judgment thereon, be destroyed by any officer competent to serve the process on which they were forfeited, and he shall make return accordingly to said court. Such liquors shall be destroyed by pouring them upon the ground. A record of vessels forfeited shall be kept by each officer, and returned to the county commissioners once in each three months, and once in six months, or oftener, if they deem it advisable, the commissioners shall order such officers to sell the vessels at public or private sale, and pay the proceeds thereof into the county treasury.'

Sect. 2. This act shall not apply to cases of sales already made.

Approved March 8, 1897.



### Chapter 213.

An Act for the better protection of Girls.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Whoever, being more than twenty-one years of age, has carnal knowledge of the body of any unmarried female child, between the ages of fourteen and sixteen years, shall be punished by fine not exceeding five hundred dollars or by imprisonment for not more than two years. The provisions of this act shall not apply to cases of rape as defined in section seventeen of chapter one hundred and eighteen of the revised statutes.

Protection of girls between the ages of fourteen and sixteen.

Approved March 8, 1897.

### Chapter 214.

An Act relating to appeals in case of damages for land taken for Ways.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section eighteen of chapter eighteen of the revised statutes, as amended by section five of chapter three hundred and fifty-nine of the public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five and by chapter two hundred and ninety-seven of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, is hereby amended in the second sentence thereof by striking out the words "laying out" and inserting in place thereof the word 'establishment' and by adding after the word "town" the words 'at its town meeting,' so that said section eighteen, as hereby amended, shall read as follows:

Section 18, chapter 18, R. S., as amended by section 5, chapter 359, public laws 1885 and chapter 297 public laws 1893, further amended.

'Sect. 18. The damages for a town way shall be paid by the town; for a private way, by those for whose benefit it is stated in the petition to be, or wholly or partly by the town, if under an article in the warrant to that effect it so votes at the meeting accepting such private way; or by cities, if it is proposed in the return laying out such way. Any person aggrieved by the estimate of such damages may have them determined as provided in section eight, by written complaint to the supreme judicial court, returnable at the term thereof next to be held within the county, where the land lies, after sixty days from the date of the establishment, alteration or

Damages for ways, how estimated and paid.

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—appeal  
may be  
taken to  
supreme  
judicial  
court.

discontinuance of such way by the town at its town meeting. The complaint shall be served at least thirty days before said term by delivering in hand an attested copy to the clerk of the town where the land lies, and by posting attested copies in two public and conspicuous places within said town and in the vicinity of the way. But the final judgment shall be recorded in said court, and shall not be certified to the county commissioners. When any person aggrieved by the estimate of damages for his land taken for a town or private way, honestly intended to appeal therefrom and has by accident or mistake omitted to take his appeal within the time provided by law, he may at any time within six months after the expiration of the time when said appeal might have been taken, apply to any judge of the supreme judicial court in term time or vacation, stating in his said application the facts of his case, and said judge, after due notice and hearing, may grant to such petitioner permission to take his said appeal to such term of said court as said judge shall direct, and on such terms as said judge shall order, and the subsequent proceedings thereon shall be the same and with the same effect as if said appeal had been seasonably taken.'

Approved March 8, 1897.

### Chapter 215.

An Act additional to Chapter three hundred and fourteen of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to the sale of land for Taxes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Full costs  
shall be  
recovered  
in all  
actions  
brought  
under  
chapter 214,  
laws of 1893.

Sect. 1. In all actions brought in the supreme judicial and superior courts of the state under the provisions of chapter three hundred and fourteen of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, full costs shall be recovered notwithstanding the amount of the judgment be twenty dollars or less.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 8, 1897.

**Chapter 216.**

An Act authorizing cities and towns to accept conveyances upon trusts in public burial places, and providing for the record of deeds of burial lots.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. When any person owning or interested in a lot in a public burial place in a city or town deposits with the treasurer of such city or town, a sum of money for the preservation or care of such lot as provided by section one, chapter one hundred and forty-five, of the public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, said city or town may accept a conveyance of such lot for the uses and upon the trusts which may be set forth in said conveyance, and may bind itself to keep and perform the agreements, uses and trusts as are contained in the deed of conveyance of such lot.

Cities and towns may accept conveyances upon trust in public burial places, for the care of lots.

Sect. 2. Deeds of burial lots in any public cemetery may be recorded with the registry of deeds for the county or district where such cemetery is situated.

Deeds in burial lots, when recorded.

Approved March 8, 1897.

**Chapter 217.**

An Act in relation to the disposition of Unclaimed Baggage by common carriers.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Sections eighty-one, eighty-two, eighty-three and eighty-four of chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes are hereby repealed.

Sect. 2. Section eight of chapter fifty-two of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter forty-two of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, is hereby amended by the insertion of the word 'baggage' after the word "whenever" in the first line, again after the word "or" in the fifth line, and again after the word "whenever" in the eleventh line, so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 8, chapter 52, R. S., as amended by chapter 42, public laws 1891, further amended.

'Sect. 8. Whenever baggage, goods, merchandise, packages or parcels, transported by any railroad, steamboat, express, or stage company, existing by virtue of the laws of this state, remain unclaimed for six months after its arrival at the point

Merchandise unclaimed for six months, may be sold to pay charges.

**CHAP. 218** to which it shall have been directed; or baggage, goods, merchandise, or other personal property remain in a public warehouse for six months, after the charges thereon have been rightfully demanded and left unpaid, the same may be sold at auction in the city or town where said railroad, steamboat, express or stage company has its general or principal office, or where said warehouse is situated; and whenever baggage, goods, merchandise, packages or parcels transported by any railroad, steamboat, express or stage company, not existing by virtue of the laws of this state, and having no office of president, treasurer, clerk or general superintendent within this state, but doing business in this state, remain unclaimed for six months after its arrival at the point to which it shall have been directed, the same may be sold at auction, to pay the charges thereon and the expense of advertising and selling.'

Approved March 10, 1897.

### Chapter 218.

An Act amendatory and additional to Chapter forty-seven of the Revised Statutes, relating to the duties of the Bank Examiner.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 119,  
chapter 47,  
R. S.  
amended.

Sect. 1. Section one hundred and nineteen of chapter forty-seven of the revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting in the ninth line, after the word "law," the words ' and its officers shall, whenever required to do so by the bank examiner, furnish him with statements and full information relating to the condition and standing of their institution, and of all matters pertaining to its business affairs and management,' so that said section shall read as follows:

Bank  
examiner  
shall  
examine  
savings  
banks, etc.

—shall visit  
every  
institution  
annually.

—shall make  
thorough  
examina-  
tion.

'Section 119. Such institutions and associations are under the charge of the bank examiner for the purposes of examination. He shall visit every savings bank, institution for savings, and trust and loan association, incorporated by authority of the state, once in every year, and as much oftener as he deems expedient. At such visits he shall have free access to the vaults, books and papers, and thoroughly inspect and examine all the affairs of each of said corporations, and make such inquiries as are necessary to ascertain its condition and ability to fulfill all

its engagements, and whether it has complied with the law, and its officers shall, whenever required to do so by the bank examiner, furnish him with statements and full information relating to the condition and standing of their institution, and of all matters pertaining to its business affairs and management. He shall preserve in a permanent form, a full record of his proceedings, including a statement of the condition of each of said corporations, a copy of which statement shall be published by such corporation immediately after the examination of the same, in a newspaper in the place where it is established, if any, otherwise in a newspaper published in the nearest place thereto.'

—proceedings, and statement of condition of corporation to be published.

Sect. 2. The bank examiner shall at all times have the same authority over all trust and banking companies incorporated under the laws of this state that he now has over savings banks or savings institutions by virtue of the provisions of sections one hundred nineteen, one hundred twenty, one hundred twenty-one, one hundred twenty-two, one hundred twenty-three and one hundred twenty-four of chapter forty-seven of the revised statutes; and all the provisions of said sections shall apply to said trust and banking companies excepting so much as relates to the distribution of assets after a decree of sequestration, as provided in section one hundred twenty-two. The distribution of the assets of trust and banking companies shall be made under order of the court.

Shall have authority over trust and banking companies.

Approved March 10, 1897.

## Chapter 219.

An Act for the protection of Beaver.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

The provisions of sections one, two, three, of chapter two hundred and thirty-two, of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to a close time on beaver, are hereby extended for a period of six years.

Close time for beaver, extended for six years.

Approved March 10, 1897.

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**Chapter 220.**

An Act to amend Section forty-five, Chapter one hundred and forty of the Revised Statutes, relating to the State Prison.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Amend section forty-five, chapter one hundred and forty of the revised statutes, by striking out the word "five" in the third line and inserting in place thereof the word 'ten,' so that said section, as amended, shall read:

Provision  
for convicts  
on dis-  
charge.

'Section 45. On the discharge of any convict who has conducted himself well during his imprisonment, the warden may give him from the funds of the prison a sum not exceeding ten dollars, and if he requests it, a certificate of such good conduct; and shall take care that every convict on his discharge is provided with decent clothing.'

Approved March 10, 1887.

**Chapter 221.**

An Act relating to waiving the provisions of a will by the widow of the testator, and to wills in which no provision is made for the widow of the testator, and the interest which the widow shall have in the estate of the testator in such cases.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Widow of  
testator  
may waive  
provision of  
will and  
receive  
distribu-  
tive share  
of personal  
estate.

Sect. 1. When provision is made in the will of a testator for his widow, such widow may, at any time within six months after the probate of such will, waive such provision made for her by filing in the probate court written notice of such waiver, and when such provision is waived as aforesaid, such widow shall have and receive the same distributive share of the personal estate of such testator as is provided by law in intestate estates. And when no provision is made in the will of a testator for his widow, such widow shall likewise have and receive the same distributive share of the personal estate of such testator as is provided by law in intestate estates, provided such widow shall, within six months after the probate of such will, file in the probate court written notice that she claims such share of the personal estate of such testator.

Sect. 2. This act shall not be held to affect, repeal, limit or restrict any existing laws relating to rights given by such laws to any widow who waives the provision made for her in the will of her husband, or for whom no provision is made in such will.

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Act does not affect existing laws.

Sect. 3. This act shall not apply to wills where the testator is deceased at the time this act shall go into effect.

Does not apply in certain cases.

Approved March 11, 1897.

### Chapter 222.

An Act to amend Section two of Chapter two hundred and eighty-seven of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, entitled "An Act for the better protection of Sheep."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section two of chapter two hundred and eighty-seven of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three is hereby amended by striking out the words, "dogs covered by the kennel license shall be excepted from the provisions of this section, requiring registration, numbering or collaring," from the end of said section, so that said section, when amended, shall read as follows:

Section 2, chapter 227, public laws 1893, amended.

'Section 2. Every owner or keeper of a dog more than four months old shall annually, before the first day of April, cause it to be registered, numbered, described and licensed for one year from the first day of April, in the office of the clerk of the city, town or plantation where said dog is kept, and shall keep around its neck a collar, distinctly marked with the owner's name and its registered number, and shall pay to said clerk for a license the sum of one dollar and fifteen cents for each male dog, and three dollars and fifteen cents for each female dog, and a person becoming the owner or keeper of a dog after the first day of April, not duly licensed, shall cause it to be registered, numbered, described and licensed as provided above. Every owner or keeper of dogs, kept for breeding purposes, may receive annually a special kennel license authorizing him to keep such dogs for said purpose. When the number of dogs so kept does not exceed ten, the fee for such license shall be ten dollars, when the number of dogs so kept exceeds ten, the fee

Dogs shall annually be registered, and licensed.

—special kennel license.

—license fees.

**CHAP. 223** for such license shall be twenty dollars, and no fee shall be required for the dogs of such owner or keeper under the age of six months.'

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 11, 1897.

### Chapter 223.

An Act to to amend Section two of Chapter fifty-eight of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter ninety-four of Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, relating to election of members of Board of Agriculture.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 2,  
chapter 58,  
R. S., as  
amended by  
chapter 94,  
public laws  
1891, further  
amended.

Section two of chapter fifty-eight of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter ninety-four of public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one is hereby amended by adding the words 'at least two weeks prior to said meeting' after the word "others" in the sixth line of said section, so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

If more  
than one  
society in a  
county,  
convention  
of delegates  
from each,  
to elect  
member,  
therefor.

'Section 2. If there is more than one such society in a county the executive officers of the oldest shall designate a time and place for a convention of five delegates, chosen from each society at a regular meeting; and the secretary of such oldest society shall give written notice thereof to the secretary of each of the others, at least two weeks prior to said meeting. The convention shall be held prior to the third Wednesday of January, and shall elect a president and secretary, and by ballot a member of the board of agriculture for that county. If no election is made, the secretary shall immediately send to the governor and council the names of two or more persons having the highest number of votes; and they shall elect one of them. Vacancies in counties, however caused, shall be filled within three months after notice to the secretary of the oldest society in the county where such vacancy exists; if there is more than one at a special meeting, in the same manner as is hereinbefore provided for the election of county members of said board. The written certificate of the secretary of the society or convention electing a member, shall be his credentials in the board.'

—If no  
election,  
governor  
and council  
shall elect  
from  
highest  
candi-  
dates.

— creden-  
tials of  
members.

Approved March 11, 1897.



**Chapter 224.**

An Act to amend Section sixty-nine of Chapter eighty-two of the Revised Statutes, relating to Auditors.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section sixty-nine of chapter eighty-two of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding at the end of said section the following words: 'The fees and necessary expenses of auditors so appointed shall be paid by the county on presentation of the proper certificate of the clerk of courts for that county, and the amount thereof shall be fixed by the court upon the coming in of the report,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 69,  
chapter 82,  
R. S.,  
amended.

'Section 69. When an investigation of accounts, or an examination of vouchers is required, the court may appoint one or more auditors to hear the parties and their testimony, state the accounts, and make a report to the court upon such matters therein as may be ordered by the court, and the report is prima facie evidence upon such matters only, as are expressly embraced in the order. They shall notify the parties of the time and place of hearing, and have power to adjourn; witnesses may be summoned and compelled to attend, and may be sworn by the auditor. The fees and necessary expenses of auditors so appointed shall be paid by the county on presentation of the proper certificate of the clerk of the courts for that county, and the amount thereof shall be fixed by the court upon the coming in of the report.'

Auditors  
may be  
appointed  
in certain  
cases, and  
may make  
report.

—parties  
may be  
notified, and  
witnesses  
sum-  
moned.

—fees, how  
paid.

Approved March 12, 1897.

**Chapter 225.**

An Act to amend Section eighteen of Chapter forty-eight of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter eighty-nine of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to Corporations.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 18, chapter 48, R. S., as amended by chapter 89, public laws 1895, further amended.

Section eighteen of chapter forty-eight of the revised statutes as amended by chapter eighty-nine of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "directors" in the seventh line of said section the words 'and the name and residence of the clerk,' and by striking out the words "where said business is to be done," in the eleventh and twelfth lines of said section, and inserting in lieu thereof the words 'where said corporation is located,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Before doing business, officers to prepare a certificate of facts, to be examined by attorney general, and then recorded in register of deeds and secretary of state's office.

—fees of attorney general and secretary of state.

—fees to be paid the state.

'Section 18. Before commencing business, the president, treasurer, and majority of the directors shall prepare a certificate setting forth the name and purposes of the corporation, the amount of capital stock, the amount already paid in, the par value of the shares, the names and residences of the owners, the name of the county where it is located, and the number and names of the directors, and the name and residence of the clerk, and shall sign and make oath to it; and after it has been examined by the attorney general, and been by him certified to be properly drawn and signed and to be conformable to the constitution and laws, it shall be recorded in the registry of deeds in the county where said corporation is located, in a book kept for that purpose, and within sixty days after the day of the meeting at which such corporation is organized, a copy thereof certified by such register shall be filed in the secretary of state's office, who shall enter the date of filing thereon, and on the original certificate to be kept by the corporation, and shall record said copy in a book kept for that purpose. Such corporation shall pay the attorney general and secretary of state five dollars each for their services, in advance; and before said certificate is filed in the office of the secretary of state, when the amount of capital stock does not exceed ten thousand dollars, it shall also pay to the treasurer of state for the use of the state the sum of ten dollars; when the amount of the capital stock exceeds ten thousand dollars and does not exceed five hundred thousand dollars, it shall pay to the treasurer of state for the use of the state, the

sum of fifty dollars; when the amount of the capital stock exceeds five hundred thousand dollars, it shall pay to the treasurer of state for the use of the state ten dollars for each one hundred thousand dollars of the capital stock; and the treasurer's receipt for said sum shall be filed with the secretary of state as a condition precedent, before he shall be authorized to receive said certificate for filing.'

Approved March 12, 1897.

### **Chapter 226.**

An Act regulating the costs in Municipal, Police and Trial Justice Courts.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The allowance for travel and attendance to parties recovering costs in any municipal, police or trial justice court in this state, shall be limited to three terms, except that the court may, for good and sufficient cause, order such allowance for additional terms.

Allowance  
of costs in  
police or  
justice  
courts,  
limited.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 12, 1897.

### **Chapter 227.**

An Act to grant the Commissioners of Inland Fisheries and Game authority to destroy Mink in and around all fish hatcheries in the state.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The commissioners of inland fisheries and game shall have authority to cause the destruction of all mink found in or around any fish hatchery or feeding station in this state, and section twenty of chapter thirty of the revised statutes is hereby modified to this extent.

Mink found  
around any  
fish hatch-  
ery, may be  
destroyed.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 15, 1897.

CHAP. 228**Chapter 228.**

An Act to amend Section six of Chapter seventy-eight of the Revised Statutes, relating to the terms of the County Commissioners' Court for the County of Lincoln.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 6,  
chapter 78,  
R. S.,  
amended.

Section six of chapter seventy-eight of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the word "Monday" in the fourteenth line of said section, and substituting therefor the word 'Tuesday,' so that the entire clause shall read as follows:

Terms in  
Lincoln  
county.

'Lincoln, on the second Tuesday of May, the first Tuesday of September, and the last Monday of December.'

Approved March 15, 1897.

**Chapter 229.**

An Act additional to Chapter one hundred and five of the Revised Statutes, relating to limitation of real actions and rights of entry.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Chapter 105,  
R. S.,  
amended.

Chapter one hundred and five of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto as sections sixteen and seventeen the following:

Right of  
way shall  
not be ex-  
tinguished  
by adverse  
obstruc-  
tion, unless  
such ob-  
struction  
has con-  
tinued for  
twenty  
years and  
notice  
given.

'Section 16. No right of way or other easement existing in, upon, over or through the land of another, shall be extinguished by the adverse obstruction thereof, unless such adverse obstruction has been continued uninterruptedly for twenty years; and a notice in writing given by the owner of such right of way or other easement to the person whose land is subject thereto, setting forth said owner's intention to contest the extinguishment of such right of way or other easement, and duly served and recorded as hereinafter stated, shall be deemed an interruption of such obstruction and prevent the extinguishment of such right of way or other easement.'

How notice  
shall be  
given.

'Section 17. Such notice may be given by the owner of such right of way or other easement, his agent or guardian, or by an officer, by giving in hand to the owner of the land subject thereto, his agent or guardian, if in the state, an attested copy thereof, or by leaving it at his dwelling house, or, if not in the state, an attested copy may be left with the tenant or occupant

of the estate, if any; if not, such copy shall be posted in some conspicuous place upon said estate. The person serving or posting said notice shall make his return on the original notice; and the whole shall be recorded in the registry of deeds in the county where the land lies, within three months from the time of such service.'

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—return  
shall be  
made on  
original  
and re-  
corded.

Approved March 15, 1897.

### Chapter 230.

An Act relating to the April term of the Supreme Judicial Court in the County of Aroostook.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. From and after the day this act takes effect the annual April term of the supreme judicial court now held at Houlton, in the county of Aroostook, on the fourth Tuesday of April, shall be held at said Houlton on the third Tuesday of April, in each year, forever. And the court, at every said April term, upon the completion of the business conveniently triable therein at said Houlton, shall and is hereby required and directed to adjourn to Caribou, in said county, to there complete such civil business pending in said court, as ought to be and may be more conveniently there tried and heard; and the jurors in attendance at said court, except grand jurors, may be required to attend such adjournment, or may be discharged or new jurors summoned, as the circumstances may require. The clerk of said court shall receive from said county for his attendance and expenses at Caribou, during said adjourned part of said term, in addition to his compensation now allowed by law, such further sum as the presiding justice shall determine.

April term,  
supreme  
judicial  
court, shall  
be holden  
at Houlton.

—shall be  
adjourned  
to Caribou.

—compen-  
sation of  
clerk.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect on the twentieth day of May, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

When act  
shall take  
effect.

Approved March 17, 1897.

CHAP. 231**Chapter 231.**

An Act to amend Section nineteen of Chapter one hundred and forty-two of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Maine Industrial School for Girls.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 19,  
chapter 142,  
R. S.,  
amended.

Section nineteen of chapter one hundred and forty-two of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the word "seven" in the first line of said section, and inserting in place thereof the word 'six,' and also by striking out the word "fifteen" in the second line of said section, and inserting in place thereof the word 'sixteen,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Applica-  
tion to the  
probate  
judge or to  
a magis-  
trate, for  
commit-  
ment of idle  
or vicious  
girls.

'Section 19. A parent or guardian of any girl between the ages of six and sixteen years, the municipal officers, or any three respectable inhabitants of any city or town, where she may be found, may complain in writing to the judge of probate or any trial justice in the county, or to the judge of the municipal or police court for such city or town, alleging that she is leading an idle or vicious life, or has been found in circumstances of manifest danger of falling into habits of vice or immorality, and request that she may be committed to the guardianship of the Maine Industrial School for Girls. The judge or justice shall appoint a time and place of hearing, and order notice thereof to all persons entitled to be heard, and at such time and place, may examine into the truth of said allegations, and if satisfactory evidence thereof is adduced, and it appears that the welfare of such girl requires it, he may order her to be committed to the custody and guardianship of the officers of said school during her minority, unless sooner discharged by process of law.'

—notice  
and hear-  
ing.

Approved March 17, 1897.

**Chapter 232.**

An Act to amend Chapter thirty of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to Liens on Buildings.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. In addition to the remedy provided by chapter thirty of public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, the liens mentioned in sections thirty, thirty-one, thirty-two and thirty-three of chapter ninety-one of the revised statutes may be enforced by attachment in actions at law commenced in any court having jurisdiction, in the county where the house, building or appurtenances on which a lien is claimed is situated, which attachment shall be made within ninety days after the last of the labor is performed, or labor or materials are furnished.

How liens mentioned in chapter 91, R. S., may be enforced.

Sect. 2. When two or more proceedings, either at law or in equity, are pending at the same time, in whatever court or courts, to enforce liens on the same house, building or appurtenances, upon petition of any lienor who has commenced such proceedings, or of the owner of the building, a justice of the supreme judicial court, after notice and hearing, in term time or vacation, may, if justice requires it, order all such actions not then pending in the supreme judicial court to be transferred thereto, and require the parties in all such proceedings, in whatever court commenced, to plead in equity, substantially in the manner prescribed in section three of said chapter thirty of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, and thereafter all the proceedings shall be in accordance with the provisions of said chapter thirty; and while such petition is pending all such actions shall stand continued.

When two or more proceedings are pending at the same time, such actions, after notice and hearing may be transferred to supreme judicial court.

Sect. 3. When a judgment is rendered in any suit authorized by this act, against any house, building or appurtenances, and the land on which it stands, or any interest that the owner of such house, building or appurtenances has in such land, said property shall be taken and sold on execution in the same manner that rights of redeeming mortgaged real estate may be taken and sold. If two or more such judgments are rendered at the same term of the same court, the court shall direct in writing on which execution the property shall be sold, and in that event, and also in the event that the officer holding any execution recovered under the provisions of this act shall be notified in writing by any lienor who has caused said property to be

Property may be taken and sold on execution to satisfy judgment.

—how judgments shall be satisfied when two or more are rendered at same term.

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—time  
within  
which prop-  
erty may be  
redeemed.

Section 7,  
chapter 30,  
applicable.

attached as aforesaid, or who has filed his bill in equity as provided in said chapter thirty, that he claims a portion of the proceeds of the sale, said officer, unless all owners of such judgments, and all lienors so notifying such officer otherwise direct, shall thereupon sell said property as aforesaid, and after deducting the fees and expenses of sale, shall return the balance into the court of highest jurisdiction in which any such lien suit is pending, or in which such a lien judgment has been rendered, and such court shall distribute such fund pro rata among the lienors who shall satisfactorily prove their right to share in the same. The court issuing execution on which the sale is made, may fix the time within which the owner shall have the right to redeem the property from such sale. The court distributing the fund may make such decree in regard to costs as is equitable. Any balance not required to pay such lien claims and costs shall be paid to the person or persons legally or equitably entitled thereto.

Sect. 4. Section seven of said chapter thirty is applicable in cases of actions commenced and attachments made under the provisions of this act.

Sect. 5. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 17, 1897.

**Chapter 233.**

An Act authorizing the establishment of Free Libraries in villages and of branch libraries in towns and cities.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Villages  
authorized  
to estab-  
lish free  
libraries.

—may  
assess tax  
in support  
of.

—library  
shall be  
entitled to  
stipend  
from the  
state.

Sect. 1. Any incorporated village within this state located in a town where no free library exists, is hereby authorized and empowered to establish a library within its limits for the free use of all of its inhabitants; and to levy and assess a corporate tax and to appropriate therefrom for the foundation and commencement of such library, a sum not exceeding two dollars, and for its maintenance and increase annually a sum not exceeding one dollar per each ratable poll resident within such village corporate limits in the year next preceding. Such library so established and maintained shall be entitled to receive from the state treasury, a sum equal to ten per cent of



the amount annually raised and appropriated by the village corporation therefor. Village libraries established under this act shall be subject to all the duties and entitled to all the privileges prescribed by the laws relating to free public libraries in towns.

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Sect. 2. Any town in which there is a free public library is hereby authorized to establish and maintain under the same general management and control, such branches of the same as the convenience and wants of the citizens of said town seem to demand.

Towns may maintain branches.

Approved March 17, 1897.

### Chapter 234.

An Act to amend Section twenty-seven, Chapter ninety-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to Liens.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section twenty-seven, chapter ninety-one of the revised statutes, is hereby amended by inserting after the words "arrives at the port of shipment," in the third line from the bottom of said section, the words 'and until it has been shipped on board a vessel or laden in a car,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 27, chapter 91, R. S., amended.

'Sect. 27. Whoever digs, hauls, or furnishes rock for the manufacture of lime, has a lien thereon for his personal service, and on the rock so furnished, for thirty days after such rock is manufactured into lime, or until such lime is sold or shipped on board a vessel; whoever labors in quarrying or cutting and dressing granite in any quarry, has a lien for his wages on all the granite quarried or cut and dressed in the quarry by him, or his co-laborers, for thirty days after such granite is cut and dressed, or until such granite is sold or shipped on board a vessel; and whoever labors in mining, quarrying or manufacturing slate in any quarry, has a lien for the wages of his labor on all slate mined, quarried or manufactured in the quarry by him or his co-laborers for thirty days after the slate arrives at the port of shipment, and until it has been shipped on board a vessel or laden in a car; such liens have precedence of all other claims, and may be enforced by attachment within the times aforesaid.'

Liens on lime and limerock, for 30 days, may be enforced by attachment.

—on granite.

—on slate.

—such liens have precedence of all other claims.

—their enforcement.

Approved March 17, 1897.

CHAP. 235**Chapter 235.**

An Act to amend Sections seven, nine and fourteen of Chapter one hundred and six of the Revised Statutes, relating to the issue and serving of Venires.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 7,  
chapter 106,  
R. S.,  
amended.

Sect. 1. Section seven of chapter one hundred and six of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding after the word "constable" in the last line of said section, the words 'of towns, and the constables, marshal or deputy marshal of cities,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Rule by  
which the  
clerk shall  
issue  
venires.

'Sect. 7. The grand and traverse jurors shall be drawn from each jury district in such manner as to cause jurors, at each term of court, to come from every part of the county as equally as may be, and so far as practical, from every town in rotation, having regard to the number of its inhabitants, taking not more than two grand jurors and two traverse jurors from the same town at the same time, unless from necessity, or some extraordinary cause, or to equalize the service; and the clerk of courts shall issue venires to the constables of towns, and the constables, marshal and deputy marshal of cities accordingly.'

Section 9,  
amended.

Sect. 2. Section nine of said chapter is hereby amended by adding after the word "directed," in the second line thereof, the words 'and the constables, marshals or deputy marshals of cities;' and after the word "constable," in the same line, add the words 'and the marshals or deputy marshals of cities,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Distribu-  
tion for  
venires and  
notice of  
meetings  
to draw  
jurors.

'Section 9. The sheriff, on receiving such venires, shall immediately send them to the constables of the towns where directed, and to the constables, marshals or deputy marshals of cities, and each constable, marshal or deputy marshal, on receipt thereof, shall notify the voters of the town or city, and especially the municipal officers and town or city clerk, by posting notices in two public and conspicuous places therein, at least four days before such meeting, to assemble and be present at the draft of jurors called for, which shall be six days at least before the time when they are ordered to attend court.'

Section 14,  
amended.

Sect. 3. Section fourteen of said chapter is hereby amended by adding after the word "constable," in the first line thereof, the words 'or the marshals or deputy marshals of cities,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Section 14. A constable of a town or the constables, marshals or deputy marshals of cities, shall notify the persons thus drawn four days at least before the sitting of the court, by reading the venire and the indorsement thereon to them, or leaving at their usual place of abode a written notice that they have been drawn, and of the time and place of the sitting of the court where they must attend; and shall make a seasonable return of the venire with his doings thereon.'

Approved March 17, 1897.

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Constable of a town and marshals of cities shall notify jurors, and return venires.

### Chapter 236.

An Act to repeal Chapter fifty-five of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, entitled "An Act to amend Section two of Chapter one hundred and thirty-four of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven," relating to the fortnightly payment of Wages.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Chapter fifty-five of the public laws of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, entitled "An Act to amend section two of chapter one hundred and thirty-four of the public laws of one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, relating to the fortnightly payment of wages," is hereby repealed.

Act relating to fortnightly payments, repealed.

Approved March 17, 1897.

### Chapter 237.

An Act to amend Section one hundred and two, Chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes of eighteen hundred and eighty-three, relating to the title of State Superintendent of Schools.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section one hundred and two of chapter eleven of the revised statutes, is hereby amended by striking out the word "common" in the second line thereof and inserting in place thereof the word 'public,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 102, chapter 11, R. S., amended.

'Section 102. The governor with the advice and consent of council, shall appoint a state superintendent of public schools, who shall be sworn and continue in office three years, or during

Appointment of superintendent of public schools.

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—vacancies, how filled.

Inconsistent acts, repealed.

the pleasure of the executive; vacancies shall be filled by a new appointment for a like term.'

Sect. 2. All acts and parts of acts, inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed.

Approved March 18, 1897.

**Chapter 238.**

An Act to fix the compensation of the Sheriff of the County of Franklin.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Salary of sheriff of Franklin county, fixed.

—shall not receive any fees from deputies.

Sect. 1. The sheriff of the county of Franklin from and after the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, shall receive an annual salary of three hundred dollars in quarterly payments from the county treasury, on the first day of January, April, July and October instead of the compensation provided in section twenty-three of chapter eighty of the revised statutes, and it is further provided, that the sheriff of said county shall not receive from any of his deputies, any of the fees earned by said deputies or any percentage thereon after said date; and shall not receive any fees or per diem for attendance at court.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 18, 1897.

**Chapter 239.**

An Act to amend Section forty-one of Chapter forty of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taking of Salmon in the Penobscot River above the water works dam at Bangor.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 41, chapter 40, R. S., amended.

Section forty-one of chapter forty of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding after the word "flies" in the ninth line the following words: 'Provided, however, that it shall be lawful for the inhabitants of this state to take salmon with drift nets from six o'clock in the afternoon on Friday to six o'clock in the afternoon on Saturday of each week from the water works dam in Bangor to Medway, during open season, but not within

three hundred yards of any dam or mill race,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Section 41. No salmon, shad or other migratory fish shall be taken or fished for within five hundred yards of any fish-way, dam or mill race; nor in the Penobscot river between the mouth of the Kenduskeag stream and the water works dam at Treat's falls on said river; nor between the Augusta highway bridge over the Kennebec river and the Augusta dam; nor any salmon above Ferry Point bridge on the Saint Croix river in Calais, between the first days of April and November, except by the ordinary mode of angling with single hook and line or artificial flies; provided, however, that it shall be lawful for the inhabitants of this state to take salmon with drift nets from six o'clock in the afternoon on Friday to six o'clock in the afternoon on Saturday of each week from the water works dam in Bangor to Medway, during open season, but not within three hundred yards of any dam or mill race; nor shall hook and line or artificial flies be used at any time within one hundred yards of any fish-way, dam or mill race; but this section shall not apply to the taking of alewives by the town of Warren in the Georges river, and by the town of Waldoboro in Medomak river, under the authority granted said towns by the private and special laws of Massachusetts, passed March six, eighteen hundred and two, and amendments thereto passed by the legislature of this state, nor shall it apply to the taking of alewives by the town of Woolwich in Nequasset stream; provided that fly fishing shall be allowed up to the bridge across the Denny's river at Lincoln's mill, but not between said bridge and Lincoln's mill dam; and provided, also, that fishing with an artificial fly or single baited hook and line shall be allowed up to within fifty feet of the dam across the Aroostook river in the town of Caribou. The penalty for the violation of this section is a fine of not more than fifty nor less than ten dollars for each offense, and a further fine of ten dollars for each salmon and one dollar for each shad so taken.'

Salmon, shad, etc., not to be taken or fished at certain points on Penobscot, Kennebec and St. Croix rivers, from April 1 to Nov. 1, except by ordinary angling.

—salmon may be taken from 6 o'clock Friday P. M., to 6 o'clock Saturday in Penobscot river.

—no fishing near fish-way, etc.

—act shall not apply to taking of alewives in Georges river.

—nor to town of Woolwich.

—fly fishing permitted in Denny's river.

—fishing allowed within 50 feet of dam in Caribou.

—penalty.

Approved March 20, 1887.

**CHAP. 240****Chapter 240.**

An Act to amend Chapter seventy of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to the Sales of Land for non-payment of taxes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 2,  
chapter 70,  
public  
laws, 1895,  
amended.

Sect. 1. Section two of chapter seventy of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five is hereby amended, so as to read as follows:

Notice for  
posting  
form of.

'Section 2. The notice for posting, or the advertisement, as the case may be, of the collector shall be in substance as follows:

'Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the town of . . . . ., in the county of . . . . ., for the year... (N. B.) The name of the town was formerly . . . . ., (to be stated in the case of change of name, as mentioned in section one.) The following list of taxes on real estate of resident (or non-resident, as the case may be) owners in the town of . . . . ., for the year . . . . ., committed to me for collection for said town, on the . . day of . ., remain unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if said taxes, interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold at public auction at . . . . ., in said town, on the first Monday of December, 18 . ., at nine o'clock A. M.' (N. B. Here follows the list, a short description of each parcel taken from the inventory to be inserted in an additional column.)

'C. D. Collector of taxes of the town of . . . . .'

Section 194,  
R. S., fur-  
ther  
amended.

Sect. 2. Section one hundred and ninety-four of said chapter six, as amended by section three of chapter seventy of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, is hereby amended, so as to read as follows:

Owners or  
occupant to  
have writ-  
ten notice  
of time and  
place of  
sale.

'Section 194. After the land is so advertised, and at least ten days before the day of sale, the collector shall notify the owner, if resident, or the occupant thereof, if any, of the time and place of sale by delivering to him in person, or leaving at his last and usual place of abode, a written notice signed by him, stating the time and place of sale, and the amount of taxes due. In case of non-resident owners of real estate, such notice shall be sent by mail to the last and usual address, if known to the collector, at least ten days before the day of sale. If such tax is paid before the time of sale, the amount to be paid for such advertisement and notice shall not exceed one dollar, in addition to the sum paid the printer, if any.'

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Sect. 3. Section one hundred and ninety-five of said chapter six, as amended by section four of chapter seventy of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, is hereby amended, so as to read as follows:

Section 195,  
further  
amended.

'Section 195. When no person appears to discharge the taxes duly assessed on any such real estate of resident or non-resident owners, with costs of advertising, on or before the time of sale, the collector shall proceed to sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, so much of such real estate or interest as is necessary to pay the tax due, with three dollars for advertising and selling it, the sum paid to the printer, twenty-five cents for each copy required to be lodged with the town clerk, twenty-five cents for the return required to be made to the town clerk, fifty cents for the town clerk for recording the same, and sixty-seven cents for the deed thereof and certificate of acknowledgment. If the bidding is for less than the whole, it shall be for a fractional part of the estate, and the bidder who will pay the sum due for the least fractional part shall be the purchaser. If more than one right, lot or parcel of land is so advertised and sold, said charge of three dollars, the twenty-five cents for each copy lodged with the town clerk, the twenty-five cents for the return made to the town clerk, and the fifty cents for the town clerk for recording the same, shall be divided equally among the several rights, lots or parcels advertised and sold at any one time; and in addition, the sum paid to the printer shall be divided equally among the non-resident rights, lots or parcels so advertised and sold; and the collector shall receive in addition, fifty cents on each parcel of real estate so advertised and sold, when more than one parcel is advertised and sold. The collector may, if necessary to complete the sales, adjourn the auction from day to day.'

Real estate  
to be sold  
at auction,  
for unpaid  
taxes and  
costs.

—costs how  
divided.

Sect. 4. Section one hundred and ninety-seven of said chapter six, as amended by section seven of chapter seventy of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, is hereby amended, so as to read as follows:

Section 197,  
further  
amended.

'Section 197. The collector making any sale of real estate for non-payment of taxes, shall, within thirty days after such sale make a return, with a particular statement of his doings in making such sale, to the clerk of his town; who shall record it in the town records; and said return, or if lost or destroyed, an attested copy of the record thereof, shall be evidence of the facts therein set forth in all cases where such collector is not person-

Collector  
to make re-  
turn of sale  
to town  
clerk, who  
is to record.

**CHAP. 240** ally interested. The collector's return to the town clerk shall be in substance as follows:

—form of  
collector's  
return.

Pursuant to law, I caused the taxes assessed on the real estate of non-resident owners described herein, situated in the town of ....., for the year ....., to be advertised according to law by advertising in the.....three weeks successively, the first publication being on the.....day of....., and at least six weeks before the day of sale; and caused the taxes assessed on the real estate of resident owners described herein, situated in the town of....., for the year ....., to be advertised according to law by posting notice as required by law, at the following places, six weeks before the day of sale, being public and conspicuous places in said town. I also, at least ten days before the day of sale, gave to each resident owner of said lands, or the occupant thereof, if any, in hand, or left at his last and usual place of abode, and sent by mail to the last and usual address of each non-resident owner of said lands, whose address was known to me, written notice of the time and place of said sale, in the manner provided by law; and afterwards on the first Monday of December, 18. ., at nine o'clock, A. M., being the time and place of sale, I proceeded to sell, according to the tenor of the advertisement, the estates upon which the taxes so assessed remained unpaid; and in the schedules following is set forth each parcel of the estate so offered for sale, the amount of taxes, and the name of the purchaser; and I have made and executed deeds of the several parcels to the several persons entitled thereto, and placed them on file in the town treasurer's office, to be disposed of as the law requires.

SCHEDULE No. 1.

NON-RESIDENT OWNERS.

Name of owner.	Description of property.	Amount of tax, interest and charges.	Quantity sold.	Name of purchaser.



SCHEDULE No. 2.

RESIDENT OWNERS.

Name of owner.	Description of property.	Amount of tax, interest and charges.	Quantity sold.	Name of purchaser.
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In witness of all which I have hereunto subscribed my name, this.....day of....., 18....

C. D. Collector of taxes of the town of.....'

Approved March 20, 1897.

**Chapter 241.**

An Act in relation to the care of Convicts who are sick at the expiration of sentence.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Whenever a convict, at the expiration of his sentence, is sick and unable to be removed from jail, he shall be cared for by the jailer, at the expense of the county, until the county commissioners deem it safe for him to be removed.

Care of convicts, sick at expiration of sentence.

Approved March 20, 1897.

**Chapter 242.**

An Act to amend Section twenty-seven of Chapter eighty-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to the recording of attachments of personal property.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section twenty-seven of chapter eighty-one of the revised statutes of Maine is hereby amended by adding thereto the words, 'provided there be an incorporated town adjoining such unincorporated place, and if there be no such adjoining town, such copy shall be filed and recorded in the office of the register of deeds, for the registry district in which said unincorporated place is located, and the fee for recording such an attachment shall be twenty-five cents,' so that said section shall read as follows:

Section 27, [26] chapter 81, R. S., amended.

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Attachment of bulky personal property, how to be recorded in town clerk's office.

—or registry of deeds.

'Sect. 27. When any personal property is attached which by reason of its bulk or other special cause cannot be immediately removed, the officer may within five days thereafter, file in the office of the clerk of the town in which the attachment is made, an attested copy of so much of his return on the writ, as relates to the attachment, with the value of the defendant's property which he is thereby commanded to attach, the names of the parties, the date of the writ, and the court to which it is returnable, and such attachment is as effectual and valid, as if the property had remained in his possession and custody. The clerk shall receive the copy, noting thereon the time, enter it into a suitable book, and keep it on file for the inspection of those interested therein, for which he is entitled to ten cents. When the attachment is made in an unincorporated place, such copy shall be filed and recorded in the office of the clerk of the oldest adjoining town, provided there be an incorporated town adjoining such unincorporated place, and if there be no such adjoining town, such copy shall be filed and recorded, in the office of the register of deeds, for the registry district in which said unincorporated place is located, and the fee for recording such an attachment shall be twenty-five cents.'

Approved March 20, 1897.

### Chapter 243.

An Act to amend Section eleven, Chapter forty-six of the Revised Statutes, relating to Clerks of Corporations.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section eleven of chapter forty-six of the revised statutes is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 11, chapter 46, R. S., amended.

Clerk to file certificate of election in registry of deeds whenever there is a change in said office.

—attested copy, evidence.

'Sect. 11. Whenever there is a change in the office of clerk of a corporation, he shall, within twenty days after acceptance of the office file a certificate of his election in the registry of deeds in the district where the corporation is located, or where it has a place of business or a general agent; and an attested copy of such certificate shall be sufficient evidence that he is clerk, for service of process upon the corporation, until another certificate has been filed.'

Approved March 20, 1897.

**Chapter 244.**

An Act to amend Section thirteen of Chapter one hundred and forty-three of Revised Statutes, relating to duties of municipal officers relating to Insane Persons.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section thirteen of chapter one hundred and forty-three of revised statutes, is hereby amended by striking out the word "and" in line thirteen, and substituting the word 'or,' so that said section, as amended, will read as follows:

'Sect. 13. Insane persons, not thus sent to any hospital, shall be subject to examination as hereinafter provided. The municipal officers of towns shall constitute a board of examiners, and on complaint in writing of any relative, or of any justice of the peace in their town, they shall immediately inquire into the condition of any insane person therein; call before them all testimony necessary for a full understanding of the case; and if they think such person insane, and that his comfort and safety, or that of others interested, will thereby be promoted, they shall forthwith send him to the hospital, with a certificate stating the fact of his insanity, and the town in which he resided or was found at the time of examination, and directing the superintendent to receive and detain him until he is restored or discharged by law, or by the superintendent or trustees. They shall keep a record of their doings, and furnish a copy to any interested person requesting and paying for it.'

Section 13,  
chapter 143,  
R. S.,  
amended.

Municipal  
officers  
shall on  
complaint  
examine  
cases, and  
commit to  
the hospital  
with certifi-  
cate, and  
keep a rec-  
ord of their  
doings.

Approved March 20, 1897.

**Chapter 245.**

An Act to provide for filling vacancies of Trustees.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Whenever vacancies shall occur by the death or resignation of any or all of the trustees named in any deed of trust or mortgage, and from any cause such vacancy cannot be filled by appointment by the surviving trustee or trustees named therein, or such trustees neglect or refuse to make such appointment, the supreme judicial court, or any judge thereof,

Supreme  
judicial  
court may  
fill vacan-  
cies of trus-  
tees when  
vacancy  
cannot be  
filled by  
surviving  
trustees.

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—after notice and hearing.

in term time or vacation, on the petition of any party interested in said trust, and upon such notice to all persons interested by publication or otherwise as the court shall order, and after hearing thereon, may appoint a trustee or trustees to fill such vacancy or vacancies, and upon and by virtue of said appointment the property described in said deed of trust or mortgage held by said trustees at the time of such decease or resignation, shall vest in said trustees so appointed without further conveyance thereof, whether said trustees have deceased before this act takes effect or otherwise, and they shall have the rights and powers and be subject to the duties relating to such trust to the same extent and for the same purposes as the same were held by the original trustees in said trust; the decree making such appointment shall confirm the transfer of title as hereinbefore provided and shall be recorded as the original trust deed was recorded. The heirs at law and personal representatives of any deceased trustee, shall not be necessary as parties to said petition nor any proceedings thereunder, but may appear and be heard in relation to the matters therein contained, and such notice of said petition and hearing shall be given them by publication or otherwise as the court may order.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 20, 1897.

### Chapter 246.

An Act requiring all educational institutions receiving state aid to make report to the State Superintendent of Public Schools, who shall publish the same as a part of his annual report.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Institutions receiving state aid shall make report to superintendent of public schools.

Sect. 1. Every educational institution receiving state aid, shall report to the state superintendent of public schools, the total and average attendance, receipts and expenditures, number of instructors, number and length of terms, with attendance for each, and answer such other questions as he shall determine, and the same shall be published in his annual report.

Penalty for failing to comply.

Sect. 2. Every such educational institution failing to comply with the above requirements shall forfeit whatever aid or assistance it would otherwise receive from the state.

Sect. 3. All acts and parts of acts, inconsistent herewith, CHAP. 247 are hereby repealed.

Approved March 20, 1897.

### Chapter 247.

An Act to further regulate banking hours on Saturdays which are not Bank Holidays.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Every Saturday, which is not a bank holiday according to law, from twelve o'clock noon until twelve o'clock midnight shall, for all purposes whatever as regards the presenting for payment or acceptance and the protesting and giving notice of dishonor of bills of exchange, drafts, bank checks and promissory notes made after the passage of this act, be treated as and deemed a half holiday; and all bills of exchange, drafts, bank checks and promissory notes which are liable to be protested for non-acceptance or non-payment at twelve o'clock noon on any Saturday which is not a bank holiday according to law, may be protested for non-acceptance or non-payment, as the case may be, on any such Saturday at any time after twelve o'clock noon, or on the next succeeding secular or business day.

Every Saturday afternoon, not now a bank holiday, shall, for certain purposes, be deemed a half holiday.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect July one, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

When act shall take effect.

Approved March 20, 1897.

### Chapter 248.

An Act to amend Section thirty-one of Chapter forty of Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter two hundred and sixty of Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five and by subsequent acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof, relating to Migratory Fish and Fish Ways.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section thirty-one of chapter forty of revised statutes, as amended by chapter two hundred and sixty of public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five and by all subsequent acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof, is hereby amended by striking out of said section after the word "Sullivan" in the

Section 31, chapter 40, R. S., as amended by chapter 260, Public Laws 1886, further amended.

CHAP. 249 seventh line thereof, the words "Tunk river in Steuben," so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Waters ex-  
empted  
from pro-  
visions re-  
lating to  
migratory  
fish.

'Section 31. The following waters and their tributaries are exempt from the provisions relating to migratory fishes and the supervision of the fish ways by the commissioners, that is to say, Royall river in North Yarmouth, Sewall's pond or its outlet in Arrowsic, so much of the waters of the Damariscotta river as are west of the railroad bridge near Damariscotta mills, all waters in Vinalhaven, Tremont, Mount Desert, Eden, Franklin and Sullivan, Pleasant river in Washington county, East Machias river and the Eastern Penobscot river in Orland.'

Approved March 20, 1887.

## Chapter 249.

An Act amendatory of and additional to Chapter two hundred and sixty-eight of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, entitled "An Act to regulate the organization and control of Street Railroads."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 1,  
chapter 268,  
public laws  
1893,  
amended.

Sect. 1. Section one of chapter two hundred and sixty-eight of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three is hereby amended by inserting after the word "electricity" in the fourth line of said section the words 'compressed air,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Street  
railroad  
companies,  
how formed.

'Section 1. Any number of persons not less than five, a majority of whom shall be citizens of this state, may form a company for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating by electricity, compressed air or animal power, a street railroad for public use, for street traffic for the conveyance of persons and property, and for that purpose may make and sign articles of association in which shall be stated the name of the company, the gauge of the road, the places, cities and towns from which, in which and to which the road is to be constructed, maintained and operated, the length of such road, as nearly as may be, the amount of capital stock which shall not be less than four thousand dollars for every mile of road proposed to be constructed, the number of shares of which said stock shall consist, and the names and places of residence of at least three persons, a majority of whom shall be citizens of this state who shall act as directors of the proposed company, and manage its affairs until others

—articles  
of associa-  
tion.

—gauge.

—capital  
stock.

—shares.

—directors.

are chosen in their places. Each subscriber shall sign his name, residence and number of shares which he agreed to take in said company.'

Sect. 2. Section six of said chapter, as amended by chapter eighty-four of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, is hereby amended by striking out from the forty-eighth to the fifty-eighth lines thereof, inclusive, the following words, "if the board of railroad commissioners, after hearing the petitions, shall, subject to the provisions of section nine, approve the proposed location, and find that public convenience requires the construction of such road, it shall endorse its approval on the petition, and the corporation may then proceed with the construction of such road, provided, that they first file with the clerk of the court of county commissioners of the county in which said street railway is to be located, a copy of the location and plan aforesaid, and another copy of the same with the board of railroad commissioners," and inserting in place thereof the following; 'at such hearing any party claiming to be interested may appear in person or by counsel and such appearance shall be entered of record. The board of railroad commissioners, after hearing the petition, shall, if they approve such location, subject to the provisions of section nine, then determine whether public convenience requires the construction of such road, and make a certificate of such determination in writing, which certificate shall be filed with their clerk within thirty days after such hearing. Within five days after the filing of such certificate with him, said clerk shall notify all who have become parties of record as aforesaid, or their counsel, of such determination, by sending to each such party or their counsel by mail a certified copy of such certificates so filed with him. Any party of record who is dissatisfied with such determination may appeal therefrom, at any time within fifteen days from the date of filing such certificates, to the supreme judicial court next to be holden in any county where any part of said railway is located, more than thirty days from the date of filing said certificate with said clerk as aforesaid, excluding the day of the commencement of the session of said court. An appeal shall lie by any interested party from the decision of the board of railroad commissioners, in any case heard prior to the passage of this act, provided such appeal is taken at any time within three months from the time when this act goes into effect. The appellant shall serve written notice of such appeal upon said board of railroad commis-

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—subscrip-  
to articles.

Section 6,  
as amended  
by chapter  
84, laws 1895,  
amended.

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sioners, fourteen days, at least, before the session of said court, and shall at the first term file a complaint, setting forth substantially the facts of the case. Upon the entry of said appeal, the court shall appoint a committee consisting of three justices of the supreme judicial court, of whom the presiding justice may, by consent of parties, be one, provided, however, that one such justice may be mutually agreed upon and appointed as such committee, by the parties to the appeal. Said committee shall appoint a day for a hearing upon said appeal, and the appellants shall give such notice thereof as said committee deem reasonable and proper, in order that all persons interested may have opportunity to appear and object thereto. Said committee, after such hearing, shall determine whether public convenience requires the construction of such road. The decision of the committee, or a majority thereof if three are appointed, when filed in court, shall be final and conclusive upon all parties without further action of the court, and such decision shall forthwith be certified to the board of railroad commissioners. The compensation of the committee shall be paid by the parties and costs taxed as the court may order. If the board of railroad commissioners find that public convenience requires the construction of said road and no appeal therefrom shall have been taken, or if a committee appointed by the supreme judicial court, as aforesaid, shall, on appeal, certify to said railroad commissioners that the public convenience requires the construction of said road, then, in either of said cases, the corporation may then proceed with the construction of said road, provided that they first file with the clerk of county commissioners of the county in which said street railroad is to be located, a copy of the location and plan aforesaid, and another copy of the same with the board of railroad commissioners.' Said section is further amended by adding after the word "obtained" in the sixty-fourth line thereof, the following: 'but no such permission shall be necessary where such railways desire to cross public bridges already erected, but the authority to determine whether such crossing shall be permitted shall rest with the municipal officers of the cities or towns liable for the repair of such bridges, respectively, who may impose such conditions and terms upon railways desiring to cross the same as to them may seem expedient. In case any county is liable for the repair of a bridge, the county commissioners of such county shall have authority in the premises.' Said section is further amended by striking out

—further  
amended.



from the sixty-fifth line of said section, the words, "paved or macadamized." Said section is further amended by adding thereto the following words; 'without the permission of the mayor and aldermen thereof, unless it shall be otherwise determined by a committee of judges of the supreme judicial court, on appeal, as hereinbefore provided for appeals from the decisions of the board of railroad commissioners, and such appeal may be taken by any party interested, including an existing street railroad claiming to be injuriously affected by such location, to the supreme judicial court, substantially in the manner and with the effect as hereinbefore provided.' So that said section as amended, shall read as follows:

—further amended.

'Section 6. Every corporation organized under the foregoing provisions before commencing the construction of its road, shall present to the railroad commissioners a petition for approval of location, defining its courses, distances and boundaries, accompanied with a map of the proposed route on an appropriate scale with the written approval of the proposed route and location as to streets, roads or ways of the municipal officers of the cities and towns in which said railway is to be constructed in whole or in part, and with a report and estimate prepared by a skillful engineer. If the municipal officers upon a written application therefor, neglect for thirty days to approve a route and location as to streets, roads or ways, or if they refuse to approve such a route and location, or if such route and location approved by them is not accepted by the corporation, in either case, said corporation may appeal to the next term of the supreme judicial court to be held in any county where any part of said railway is located, more than thirty days from the expiration of said thirty days, or from the date of such refusal, or from the approval of a location that is not accepted by the corporation, or otherwise, as the case may be, excluding the day of the commencement of the session of said court. If said railway is located in two or more counties, the supreme judicial court in either county shall have jurisdiction of any such appellate proceedings. The appellants shall serve written notice of such appeal upon said municipal officers fourteen days, at least, before the session of said court, and shall at the first term file a complaint setting forth substantially the facts of the case. If the appeal is then entered, and not afterwards, the court shall appoint a committee of three disinterested persons who shall be sworn and if one of them dies, declines or becomes interested,

Petition for approval of location shall be presented to railroad commissioners.

—petition must contain approval of route by municipal officers.

—if approval falls from any cause, appeal may be taken to supreme judicial court.

—proceedings upon appeal.

—court shall appoint committee who shall view route and location and report to court.

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—certificate shall be sent to railroad commissioners.

—corporation may make new application to municipal officers for approval.

—notice and hearing.

—if location is approved, commissioners shall make certificate of such determination.

—notice shall be given all interested parties.

—appeal may be taken to supreme judicial court.

—commissioners shall be notified of appeal.

the court may appoint some suitable person in his place, and they shall give such notice as the court has ordered, view the proposed route or routes, and location or locations, and make their report at the next term of the court after their appointment, defining therein the route and location as to streets or ways as determined by them, which after acceptance and entry of judgment thereon, shall forthwith be certified to the railroad commissioners and received by them in lieu of the approval of the municipal officers. Costs may be taxed and allowed as the court may order. A failure to appeal shall not bar the corporation from making a new application to the municipal officers. Said commissioners shall, upon presentation of such petition, appoint a day for a hearing thereon, and the petitioners shall give such notice thereof as said commissioners deem reasonable and proper, in order that all persons interested may have an opportunity to appear and object thereto. At such hearing any party claiming to be interested may appear in person or by counsel and such appearance shall be entered of record. The board of railroad commissioners, after hearing the petition, shall, if they approve such location, subject to the provisions of section nine, then determine whether public convenience requires the construction of such road, and make a certificate of such determination in writing, which certificate shall be filed with their clerk within thirty days after such hearing. Within five days after the filing of such certificate with him, said clerk shall notify all who have become parties of record as aforesaid or their counsel of such determination, by sending to each such party or their counsel, by mail, a certified copy of such certificate so filed with him. Any party of record who is dissatisfied with such determination may appeal therefrom, at any time within fifteen days from the date of filing such certificate, to the supreme judicial court next to be holden in any county where any part of said railway is located, more than thirty days from the date of filing said certificate with said clerk as aforesaid, excluding the day of the commencement of the session of said court. An appeal shall lie by any interested party from the decision of the board of railroad commissioners, in any case heard prior to the passage of this act, provided such appeal is taken at any time within three months from the time when this act goes into effect. The appellant shall serve written notice of such appeal upon said board of railroad commissioners, fourteen days, at least, before the session of said court, and shall at the first term file a complaint, setting

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forth substantially the facts of the case. Upon the entry of said appeal, the court shall appoint a committee consisting of three justices of the supreme judicial court, of whom the presiding justice may, by consent of parties, be one, provided, however, that one such justice may be mutually agreed upon and appointed as such committee, by the parties to the appeal. Said committee shall appoint a day for a hearing upon said appeal, and the appellants shall give such notice thereof as said committee deem reasonable and proper, in order that all persons interested may have opportunity to appear and object thereto. Said committee, after such hearing, shall determine whether public convenience requires the construction of such road. The decision of the committee, or a majority thereof if three are appointed, when filed in court, shall be final and conclusive upon all parties without further action of the court, and such decision shall forthwith be certified to the board of railroad commissioners. The compensation of the committee shall be paid by the parties, and costs taxed as the court may order. If the board of railroad commissioners find that public convenience requires the construction of said road and no appeal therefrom shall have been taken, or if a committee appointed by the supreme judicial court, as aforesaid, shall on appeal certify to said railroad commissioners that the public convenience requires the construction of said road, then, in either of said cases, the corporation may then proceed with the construction of said road, provided that they first file with the clerk of county commissioners of the county in which said street railroad is to be located, a copy of the location and plan aforesaid, and another copy of the same with the board of railroad commissioners. Any extension of, addition to or variation from the location by any street railway organized under the provisions of this act may be made in accordance with, and subject to the limitations of the foregoing provisions, provided, that no railway shall be located across tide waters, where vessels can navigate, without special permission of the legislature first obtained. But no such permission shall be necessary where such railways desire to cross public bridges already erected, but the authority to determine whether such crossing shall be permitted shall rest with the municipal officers of the cities or towns liable for the repair of such bridges, respectively, who may impose such conditions and terms upon railways desiring to cross the same as to them may seem expedient. In case any county is liable for the

—court shall appoint committee to hear parties.

—decision of committee shall be final.

—when corporation may proceed with construction of road.

—no railway may cross tide waters without permission of legislature.

—bridges already erected, may be crossed by permission of municipal officers.

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—no road  
can be lo-  
cated in any  
city without  
permission  
of mayor  
and alder-  
men unless  
on appeal.

repair of a bridge, the county commissioners of such county shall have authority in the premises. But no road shall be located under this act, over any street in any city in this state, without the permission of the mayor and aldermen thereof, unless it shall be otherwise determined by a committee of judges of the supreme judicial court, on appeal, as hereinbefore provided for appeals from the decisions of the board of railroad commissioners, and such appeal may be taken by any party interested, including an existing street railroad claiming to be injuriously affected by such location, to the supreme judicial court, substantially in the manner and with the effect as hereinbefore provided.'

Section 10,  
amended.

Sect. 3. Section ten of said chapter is hereby amended by inserting after the words "one hundred and twenty-six" in the eighth line of said section the words 'one hundred and thirty-five, one hundred and thirty-six, as amended, one hundred and thirty-seven, one hundred and thirty-eight, one hundred and thirty-nine, one hundred and forty' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Certain  
provisions  
of the R. S.,  
made ap-  
plicable.

'Section 10. So far as applicable the provisions of sections seventeen, nineteen, twenty, twenty-two, twenty-three, twenty-four, twenty-five, twenty-six, twenty-seven, thirty-six, thirty-seven, thirty-eight, thirty-nine, fifty-four, fifty-five, fifty-six, fifty-seven, sixty-six, sixty-seven, sixty-eight, one hundred and fourteen, one hundred and fifteen, one hundred and sixteen, one hundred and seventeen, one hundred and eighteen, one hundred and twenty-six, one hundred and thirty-five, one hundred and thirty-six, as amended, one hundred and thirty-seven, one hundred and thirty-eight, one hundred and thirty-nine, one hundred and forty of chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes, shall apply to street railways.'

Any street  
railroad  
company  
may main-  
tain hotels,  
etc.

Sect. 4. Any street railroad corporation, organized under the general laws of said state, or under a special charter, may erect and maintain hotels, cottages, places of amusement and pleasure grounds along its route, and for that purpose may purchase and hold real estate and personal property necessary or convenient therefor, provided that the right of taking lands or other property shall not extend to property to be used for such purposes, and such street railroad corporations may purchase and hold shares of the capital stock of any other corporation engaged in the business of owning, leasing, maintaining or

—may hold  
real estate.

operating such hotels, cottages, places of amusement and pleasure grounds.

Sect. 5. Any street railroad corporation organized under a special legislative act, may be authorized to extend, construct, maintain and operate its road to, into and through adjoining cities and towns, other than and in addition to those named in its charter, by compliance with and subject to the provisions of section six of said chapter two hundred and sixty-eight of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, as amended by this act. Such corporations shall, in addition to their chartered rights have all the rights and powers conferred from time to time by general laws upon street railroad corporations, subject to the conditions, limitations and restrictions thereby imposed; but no corporation shall have the right to run over the tracks of another street railroad, without legislative consent, heretofore or hereafter granted, and the right of any connecting street railroad company specially conferred upon it by its charter shall be preserved unimpaired.

Additional powers conferred upon corporations organized under special laws.

—such corporations shall have all the powers conferred by general laws upon street railroads.

Sect. 6. Any street railroad corporation may issue bonds in accordance with the provisions of the general law for any lawful purpose, and secure the same by mortgage of its road, franchises and property.

Any railroad may issue bonds and mortgage property.

Sect. 7. Section two of chapter eighty-four of the public laws of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-five is hereby repealed.

Section 2, chapter 84, laws 1895, repealed.

Approved March 22, 1897.

## Chapter 250.

An Act in relation to Suits for Taxes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

The state treasurer, in the name of the state, and the assessors of cities, towns and plantations, in the name of the city, town or plantation, may bring an action of debt within two years from the date of assessment, to collect unpaid taxes with interest and charges thereon, in accordance with the provisions of sections seven and eight of chapter sixty-five of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five. The deed given under section seven to be deposited with the state treasurer in case of suits by the state, and in other cases with the treasurer of the city, town or plantation bringing the suit.

State treasurer and assessors may bring action to recover taxes.

—where deeds shall be deposited.

Approved March 23, 1897.

CHAP. 251**Chapter 251.**

An Act to amend Section seven, Chapter two hundred forty-nine of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to the use of Purse and Drag Seines in state waters.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 7,  
chapter 249,  
public  
laws, 1893,  
amended.

Section seven, chapter two hundred and forty-nine, public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, is hereby amended by adding at the close of said section the following words, 'or dip nets, no individual to take more than one-half bushel of smelts within a period of twenty-four hours with dip nets,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Unlawful  
to use drag  
seines in  
Georges  
river.

—amount  
that may  
be taken by  
one individ-  
ual.

'Section 7. In Georges river, above a line drawn from Hooper's point in the town of Saint George, westerly past the northerly end of Caldwell's island to a point opposite on the shore in the town of Cushing, or to take smelts in said river and its tributaries in any other way than by hook and line, or dip nets, no individual to take more than one-half bushel of smelts within a period of twenty-four hours with dip nets.'

Approved March 23, 1897.

**Chapter 252.**

An Act to amend Section thirty-three of Chapter six of the Revised Statutes, relating to taxes on stock of banks and other corporations.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 33,  
chapter 6,  
R. S.,  
amended.

Section thirty-three of chapter six of the revised statutes, is hereby amended by adding after the word "bank" in the second line the words 'or other corporation except a manufacturing corporation,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Collectors  
of taxes  
shall give  
notice.

'Section 33. The collector of a town, to whom has been committed a tax upon the stock of any bank or other corporation, except a manufacturing corporation, shall, within thirty days after the bills of assessment are delivered to him, cause a written notice to be delivered to the cashier or president thereof, stating the description of stock taxed, to whom assessed, if stated in the bills, and the tax thereon. No dividend shall be paid on such stock after such notice until the tax and all cost

—no divi-  
dend shall  
be paid, un-  
til tax is  
paid.

thereon are paid. The cashier may pay such tax, and payment shall constitute a charge in offset against any dividend thereon. Should such tax remain unpaid for ninety days after such notice, the collector may sell such stock in the manner specified in sections one hundred and thirty-eight and one hundred and thirty-nine. For the purpose of collecting taxes on bank stock, collectors may act in any town.'

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—tax  
charged on  
offset.

—stock may  
be sold.

—powers of  
collectors,  
extended.

Approved March 23, 1897.

### Chapter 253.

An Act additional to Chapter one hundred and one of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to Inspection of Buildings.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

The inspector of buildings and the municipal officers of any city or town shall have the right at all reasonable hours, for the purpose of examination, to enter into and upon all buildings and premises within their jurisdiction. Whenever any of said officers shall find in any building or upon any premises combustible material or inflammable conditions dangerous to the safety of such buildings or premises they shall order the same to be removed or remedied, and such order shall be forthwith complied with by the owner or occupant of said buildings or premises; provided, however, that if the said owner or occupant shall deem himself aggrieved by such order when made by the inspector of buildings he may, within twenty-four hours, appeal to the municipal officers, and the cause of the complaint shall be at once investigated by the direction of the latter, and unless by their authority the order above named is revoked, such order shall remain in force and be forthwith complied with by said owner or occupant. The inspector of buildings or the municipal officers shall make, or cause to be made, an immediate investigation as to the presence of combustible material or the existence of inflammable conditions in any building or upon any premises under their jurisdiction, upon complaint of any person having an interest in said buildings or premises or property adjacent thereto. Any owner or occupant of buildings or premises, failing to comply with the orders of the authorities above specified, shall be punished by a fine of not less than five dollars for each day's neglect.

Inspector  
and muni-  
cipal offi-  
cers shall  
have right  
to enter  
any build-  
ing in their  
jurisdic-  
tion.

—may order  
combus-  
tible ma-  
terial re-  
moved.

—person ag-  
grieved may  
appeal.

—shall  
make in-  
vestigation  
upon com-  
plaint  
that com-  
bustible  
materials  
are kept in  
any build-  
ing.

Approved March 23, 1897.

CHAP. 254**Chapter 254.**

An Act to amend Sections six and eight of Chapter eighty-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to Indorsement of Writs.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 6,  
chapter 81,  
R. 8.,  
amended.

Sect. 1. Section six of chapter eighty-one of the revised statutes is hereby amended so that the same as amended, shall read as follows:

When  
writ, peti-  
tion or bill,  
must be in-  
dorsed.

'Section 6. Every writ original, of scire facias, of error, of audita querela, petition for writ of certiorari, for review, or for partition, and bill in equity shall when the plaintiff, petitioner or complainant is not an inhabitant of the state, upon motion filed in court at the first term, as of course, be indorsed by some sufficient inhabitant of the state, or security for costs furnished by deposit in court, in such amount as the court shall direct; and if pending such suit the plaintiff, petitioner or complainant removes from the state, such an indorser shall be procured or security for costs furnished on motion of the defendant or other party to the suit; but if one of such plaintiffs, petitioners or complainants is an inhabitant of the state, no indorser or security shall be required except by special order of court.'

Section 8,  
amended.

Sect. 2. Section eight of said chapter eighty-one is hereby amended so that the same as amended, shall read as follows:

Court may  
require  
new in-  
dorser or  
additional  
deposit.

'Section 8. If pending such suit, petition or process, any such indorser or deposit becomes insufficient or such indorser removes from the state, the court may require a new and sufficient indorser or additional deposit, and by consent of the defendant the name of the original indorser may be struck out; and such new indorser shall be liable or such deposit holden for all costs from the beginning of the suit; and if such new indorser is not provided or security furnished within the time fixed by the court, the action shall be dismissed and the defendant shall recover his costs.'

Approved March 23, 1897.



**Chapter 255.**

An Act to amend Section thirty-four of Chapter three of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter one hundred and sixty-six of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to the duties of Municipal Officers.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section thirty-four of chapter three of the revised statutes as amended by chapter one hundred and sixty-six of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, is amended by striking out all after the word "mayor" in the ninth line, so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Section 34. In the election of any city officers by ballot in the board of aldermen or in convention of the aldermen and common council, in which the mayor has a right to give a casting vote, if two candidates have each half of the ballots cast, he shall determine and declare which of them is elected. Whenever appointments to office are directed or authorized to be made by the mayor and aldermen of cities, they may be made by the mayor with the consent of the aldermen, and such officers may be removed by the mayor.'

Section 34, chapter 3, R. S., as amended by chapter 166, laws, 1896, further amended.

Mayor to have casting vote in choice of officers.

—appointees of mayor and aldermen, may be removed by mayor.

Approved March 23, 1897.

**Chapter 256.**

An Act to authorize the Insurance Commissioner to revoke the license of an Insurance Agent or Broker.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section seventy-four of chapter forty-nine of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter ninety-five of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, is hereby amended so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Section 74. The commissioner may license any person as broker to negotiate contracts of insurance for others than himself for a compensation, by virtue of which license he may effect insurance with any domestic company or its agents; or any resident of the state to negotiate such contracts and effect insurance with the agents of any foreign company who have been licensed to do business in this state, as provided in sections seventy-two and seventy-three, but with no others. For such

Section 74, chapter 49, R. S., as amended by chapter 95, laws, 1896, further amended.

Commissioner may license insurance brokers.

—license fees.

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—penalty,  
for acting  
without li-  
cense.

—may re-  
voke license  
for cause.

—may re-  
voke license  
of any for-  
eign insur-  
ance com-  
pany for  
violation of  
law.

—may li-  
cense  
agents  
of assess-  
ment, life,  
casualty, or  
boiler in-  
surance  
companies.

license he shall pay ten dollars and said license shall remain in force one year unless revoked as hereinafter provided. Whoever, without such license, assumes to act as such broker, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding fifty dollars, or by imprisonment not more than sixty days for each offense. The insurance commissioner, after reasonable notice, may revoke the license of any agent or broker for violation of the insurance laws; or the license of any agent upon receipt of written request therefor from the company filed in the office of said commissioner. The commissioner shall have power to revoke the license of any foreign insurance company authorized to do business in this state that shall neglect or refuse to comply with the laws thereof, or that shall violate any of the provisions of sections seventy-two and seventy-three of chapter forty-nine of the revised statutes, as amended. The commissioner may issue a license to any person to act as an agent of any assessment life or casualty insurance company or association, or steam boiler insurance company authorized to do business in the state, upon his filing with the commissioner a certificate of his appointment as such agent and upon payment of the fee provided in section seventy-three of chapter forty-nine of the revised statutes, as amended.'

Approved March 23, 1887.

**Chapter 257.**

An Act to amend Section seventy-six of Chapter one hundred and four of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, entitled "An Act amendatory of and additional to Chapter forty of the Revised Statutes, relating to Fish and Fisheries."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 76,  
chapter 104,  
public laws,  
1895,  
amended.

Section seventy-six of chapter one hundred and four of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five is hereby amended by adding to said section the following: 'and in all cases where the prayer of the petitioners is refused, one half of the expenses of the commissioners shall be paid by the petitioners,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Commis-  
sioners au-  
thorized to  
regulate  
times and  
places of  
taking  
game and  
fish.

'Section 76. The commissioners of inland fisheries and game shall have authority, upon petition of five or more citizens of the state, or whenever they shall deem it for the best interests of the state, after due notice and public hearing in the locality to be

affected, to regulate the times and places in which and the circumstances under which game and inland fish may be taken; but they cannot authorize the taking of game or inland fish at a time in which so doing is prohibited by the laws of the state, and in all cases where the prayer of the petitioners is refused, one half of the expenses of the commissioners shall be paid by the petitioners.'

—expenses,  
how paid.

Approved March 23, 1897.

### Chapter 258.

An Act to amend Section forty-seven of Chapter seventy-seven of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter two hundred and seventy-seven of the Public Laws of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, in relation to the time of holding the September term of the Supreme Judicial Court, Piscataquis County.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section forty-seven of chapter seventy-seven of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter two hundred and seventy-seven of the public laws of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, is hereby amended, commencing at the eighth line from the bottom of the page, on page six hundred and thirty-six, so that that part of said section relating to the time of holding the terms of the supreme judicial court in and for the county of Piscataquis shall read as follows: 'Piscataquis, at Dover, on the last Tuesday of February, and the third Tuesday of September.'

Section 47,  
chapter 77,  
R. S., as  
amended by  
chapter 277,  
laws, 1887,  
further  
amended.

—terms in  
Piscataquis  
county.

Sect. 2. All matters pending in, or returnable to said court, and which would, but for the provisions of this act, have day at the term of said court to be held on the fourth Tuesday of September of the present year, as provided by law, shall be returnable, and have day at the term of said court to be held on the third Tuesday of September next.

All matters,  
pending,  
made re-  
turnable  
on 3d Tues-  
day of Sep-  
tember.

Sect. 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect when approved.

Inconsis-  
tent acts,  
repealed.

Approved March 23, 1897.

**Chapter 259.**

**An Act to establish Bank Holidays, and to abolish Days of Grace on commercial paper.**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Bank holi-  
days.

Sect. 1. Any day of public fast or public thanksgiving, appointed by the governor and council, or by the president of the United States, the first day of January, the twenty-second day of February, the thirtieth day of May, the fourth day of July, the first Monday of September and the twenty-fifth day of December, are hereby declared to be bank holidays.

Days of  
grace,  
abolished.

Sect. 2. No days of grace, according to the custom of merchants, shall be allowed on any promissory note, draft, check, bill of exchange, bond or other evidence of indebtedness made, drawn or accepted after this act shall take effect, unless expressly stipulated therein, but the same shall be due and payable as therein expressed, without grace; provided, that this act shall not apply to any draft or bill of exchange drawn payable at sight.

—act shall  
not apply  
to sight  
drafts.

Notes, etc.,  
falling due  
on Sunday  
or any bank  
holiday,  
shall be  
payable  
next suc-  
ceeding  
business  
day.

Sect. 3. Any promissory note, draft, check, acceptance, bill of exchange, bond or other evidence of indebtedness made, drawn or accepted after this act shall take effect, that shall fall due on Sunday or any bank holiday, shall be payable and presentable for payment on the secular or business day next succeeding such Sunday or holiday. If a bank holiday falls on Sunday, the following Monday shall be deemed a bank holiday for the purposes of this act.

Section 9,  
chapter 32,  
R. S., re-  
pealed.

Sect. 4. Section nine of chapter thirty-two of the revised statutes is hereby repealed.

When act  
shall take  
effect.

Sect. 5. This act shall take effect July one, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

Approved March 23, 1897.

**Chapter 260.**

An Act to amend Section eight, Chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes of eighteen hundred and eighty-three, as now amended, relating to Text Books, School Apparatus and repairs on School Buildings.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section eight of chapter eleven of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter two hundred sixty-eight of the public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "books" in the first line the words 'apparatus and appliances' and is further amended by inserting after the word "schools" in the second line the words 'including all free high schools,' also by striking out the words "and all" in the third line and inserting in place thereof the words, 'and shall also pay for the necessary repairs of school buildings and insurance on same, if any, improvement and maintenance of school yards and play grounds out of a sum or sums of,' and also by inserting the word 'which' after the word "purpose" in the fourth line thereof, so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 8,  
chapter 11,  
R. S., as  
amended by  
chapter 268,  
laws 1889,  
further  
amended.

'Section 8. Towns shall provide school books, apparatus and appliances for the use of the pupils in the public schools, including all free high schools, at the expense of said town; and shall also pay for the necessary repairs of school buildings and insurance on same, if any, improvement and maintenance of school yards and play grounds out of a sum or sums of money raised and appropriated for that purpose which shall be assessed like other moneys; provided, however, that any parent or guardian of any pupil in the public schools may, at his own expense, procure for the separate and exclusive use of such pupil, the text books required to be used in such schools.'

Towns shall  
provide  
school  
books and  
apparatus,  
etc.

Sect. 2. All acts and parts of acts, inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed.

Approved March 23, 1887.

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## Chapter 261.

An Act to amend Section sixty-seven of Chapter eighty-one of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter one hundred and seven of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to Attachments.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 67,  
chapter 81,  
R. S., as  
amended by  
chapter 107,  
laws 1895,  
further  
amended.

Section sixty-seven of chapter eighty-one of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter one hundred and seven of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, is hereby amended by striking out after the word "situated" in the thirteenth line of said laws the words "subject to the exceptions named in this section," and also by striking out after the word "attachments" in the sixteenth line of said laws the words "in which case the time shall be extended for a further period of five years," and inserting in place thereof the words 'and at the expiration of five years from the time of such first, or any subsequent bringing forward, such attachment shall expire, unless within said period, it is again brought forward in like manner,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Attach-  
ment con-  
tinues for  
thirty days  
after judg-  
ment.

—excep-  
tions.

—attach-  
ment of real  
estate ex-  
pires in  
five years,  
subject to  
exceptions.

—fees of  
register.

'Section 67. An attachment of real or personal estate continues for thirty days, and no longer, after final judgment in the original suit, and not in review or error; except attachments of equities of redeeming real estate mortgaged or taken on execution; or equities of redemption sold on execution; or an obligee's conditional right to a conveyance of real estate on execution; or property attached and replevied; or property attached belonging to a person dying thereafter, or specially provided for in any other case; but an attachment of real estate shall expire at the end of five years from the date of filing the same in the office of the register of deeds in the county or district where the said real estate or some part of it is situated, unless the said register shall, within said period, at the request of the plaintiff or his attorney bring forward the same upon the book of attachments, and at the expiration of five years from the time of such first, or any subsequent bringing forward, such attachment shall expire unless within said period it is again brought forward in like manner. The register shall be entitled to the same fee for bringing forward such attachment upon the said book of attachments, as for the original entry thereof.'

Approved March 23, 1897.

**Chapter 262.**

An Act providing for the registration of Guides and to aid in the gathering of statistics relative to Inland Fish and Game.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. No person shall engage in the business of guiding, as the term is commonly understood, before he has caused his name, age and residence to be recorded in a book kept for that purpose by the commissioners of inland fisheries and game, and procured a certificate from said commissioners, setting forth in substance that he is deemed suitable to act as a guide, either for inland fishing or forest hunting, or both, as the case may be. Whoever engages in the business of guiding without having complied with the provisions of this section forfeits fifty dollars and costs of prosecution.

Guides required to register with commissioners of fisheries and game.

—certificate.

—penalty for failure register.

Sect. 2. Each registered guide shall from time to time, as often as requested by the commissioners, on blanks furnished him by the commissioners, forward a statement to them of the number of persons he has guided in inland fishing and forest hunting during the time called for in said statement, the number of days he has been employed as a guide, and such other useful information relative to the inland fish and game, forest fires and the preservation of the forests in the localities where he has guided, as the commissioners may deem of importance to the state.

Guides shall furnish information as requested, to commissioners.

Sect. 3. Such registration, as is herein required, shall take place annually on or before July first; but nothing herein shall be construed to debar the commissioners of inland fisheries and game of the right, in their discretion, to register guides at any time.

Registration shall take place annually.

Sect. 4. Whenever any guide, registered as aforesaid, is convicted of any violation of the inland fish and game laws, he shall forfeit his certificate, and be debarred from further engaging in the business of guiding for one year thereafter.

Guide shall forfeit certificate if he violates game laws.

Sect. 5. This act shall not be construed to apply to any person, who does not directly or indirectly, hold himself out to the public as a guide, or directly or indirectly solicits employment as such.

Act applies only to professional guides.

Sect. 6. A fee of one dollar shall be paid by each person registered in accordance with the provisions of this act, and all money thus received shall be and become a part of the fund for the protection of inland fish and game.

Registration fees.

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Applica-  
tion for  
registra-  
tion.

Sect. 7. Any person desiring to be registered as a guide in accordance with the provisions of this act, may make application for such registration either in person or by written application to the commissioners.

Approved March 23, 1897.

**Chapter 263.**

An Act in relation to accidents upon Railroads and Street Railways.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Chapter 120,  
public laws,  
1891, made  
applicable  
to street  
railways.

Sect. 1. The provisions of chapter one hundred and twenty of the public laws of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-one, shall apply to electric street railways, so far as applicable.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 23, 1897.

**Chapter 264.**

An Act relating to the holding of terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in Franklin County.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 2,  
chapter 222,  
public laws,  
1893,  
amended.

Section two of chapter two hundred and twenty-two of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, is hereby amended by striking out that part of the same between the word "term," in the first line of said section, and the word "shall," in the third line thereof, and by adding at the end of section two, the following words: 'All recognizances from municipal courts and trial justices in cases in which parties are held to await the action of the grand jury, made returnable to said June term, shall, when no grand jury is in attendance, be continued to and have day in the next term of the court held in said county,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

June term  
shall be  
held with-  
out grand  
jury.

'Section 2. Said June term shall be held without a grand jury and with but one traverse jury, unless a justice of said court shall otherwise specially order, in which case the clerk shall send venires for the requisite number of traverse jurors, and shall



summon the grand jury of the preceding term, as the terms of said order may require. All recognizances from municipal courts and trial justices in cases in which parties are held to await the action of the grand jury, made returnable to said June term, shall, when no grand jury is in attendance, be continued to and have day in the next term of the court held in said county.'

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—recognizances returnable at this term, shall be continued.

Approved March 23, 1897.

### Chapter 265.

An Act to provide for procuring statistics relating to the Poultry Industry in Maine.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Assessors of cities, towns, and plantations, when taking the inventory required to be taken on April first, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and on the first day of April of each fifth year thereafter, shall enumerate the number of all kinds of poultry and forthwith return the same to the state assessors with their estimate of the value of the eggs and poultry, stated separately, produced during the year preceding; keeping their returns for each kind of poultry separate and distinct. Said property shall not be included in the tax list.

Assessors required to enumerate the poultry in the state, and estimate value of eggs produced.

Sect. 2. The state assessors shall tabulate said returns and publish them in detail, same as they now publish returns of live stock.

Return shall be published.

Approved March 23, 1897.

CHAP. 266**Chapter 266.**

An Act to amend Section four of Chapter fifty-eight of the Revised Statutes as amended by Section two, Chapter eighteen of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, and to amend Section five of Chapter fifty-eight of Revised Statutes as amended by Chapter one hundred twenty-five of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, relating to the Board of Agriculture.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 4,  
chapter 58,  
R. S., as  
amended by  
chapter 18,  
laws 1891,  
further  
amended.

Sect. 1. Amend section four of chapter fifty-eight of the revised statutes as amended by section two, chapter eighteen of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, by inserting after the word "husbandry" in the fourth line the words 'and to the best methods of building and maintaining public ways.' Also amend by inserting after the word "efforts" in the ninth line the words 'it shall also be the duty of the board with such experts, lecturers and assistants as it may employ, by means of maps, charts, cuts, drawings, printed or written articles, lectures or otherwise to disseminate knowledge throughout the state concerning the best known methods for the building and maintaining of highways, including bridges and sidewalks in the cities and towns of the state and particularly to impart such information, in manner as aforesaid, to the county commissioners of counties, the street commissioners of cities, the selectmen of towns and other municipal officers whose duty it may be to have the care and management of the expenditures of money and the building and keeping in repair of the highways of the state.' Also amend by inserting after the word "thousand" in the last line the words 'five hundred' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Farmer's  
institutes  
to be held  
annually in  
each coun-  
ty.

—purposes.

'Sect. 4. The board, by its secretary and one of its members, shall hold annually, two farmer's institutes in each county, and as many more as it deems expedient or finds practicable with the means at its disposal, for the public discussion of topics relating to husbandry and to the best methods of building and maintaining public ways, either independently or in connection with any organization devoted to the same general object, and it may issue bulletins, employ experts, lecturers, a reporter or other aids to enhance the usefulness of said institutes to the public; and shall so far as practicable aid and encourage agricultural societies and associations in their efforts. It shall also be the duty of the board with such experts, lecturers and assistants as it may employ, by means of maps,

charts, cuts, drawings, printed or written articles, lectures or otherwise to disseminate knowledge throughout the state concerning the best known methods for the building and maintaining of highways, including bridges and sidewalks, in the cities and towns of the state and particularly to impart such information, in manner as aforesaid, to the county commissioners of counties, the street commissioners of cities, the selectmen of towns and other municipal officers whose duty it may be to have the care and management of the expenditures of money and the building and keeping in repair of the highways of the state. The members shall receive no compensation for time and services, but shall be reimbursed for expenses incurred in the discharge of their duties, two dollars a day for subsistence and six cents a mile for travel. The whole expenses under this section shall not exceed three thousand five hundred dollars annually.'

—members  
shall be re-  
imbursed  
for ex-  
penses.

Sect. 2. Amend section five of chapter fifty-eight of the revised statutes as amended by chapter one hundred twenty-five of the public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, by inserting after the word "state" in the ninth line the words 'he shall compile statistics relating to the public ways in the cities and towns of the state and make such investigation relating thereto as he shall deem expedient in order to secure better and more improved highways in the state, and in his annual report shall make such statements bearing upon the construction or maintenance of ways and suggestions and recommendations concerning the same as he deems appropriate, including recommendations for any legislation which to him seems expedient or necessary. County commissioners, municipal officers and all other officers having the care and authority over public ways and bridges throughout the state, shall on request furnish said secretary any information which they possess,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 5.  
amended.

'Sect. 5. The board shall appoint a secretary, as its chief executive officer for a term of three years and until his successor is appointed, and may prescribe his duties, a part of which shall be by personal observation, investigation, and correspondence, to acquaint himself with the methods and wants of practical husbandry, the means of fertilization, and the adaptation of various products to the soils and climate of Maine; also with the progress of scientific and practical agriculture elsewhere, with a view to the more complete development of

Secretary,  
appoint-  
ment and  
duties.

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—annual  
report,  
number of  
copies, and  
distribu-  
tion of.

the natural resources of the state. He shall compile statistics relating to the public ways in the cities and towns of the state, and make such investigation relating thereto as he shall deem expedient in order to secure better and more improved highways in the state, and in his annual report shall make such statements bearing upon the construction or maintenance of ways and suggestions and recommendations concerning the same as he deems appropriate, including recommendations for any legislation which to him seems expedient or necessary. County commissioners, municipal officers and all other officers having the care and authority over public ways and bridges throughout the state shall, on request, furnish said secretary any information which they possess. He shall, annually, by the third Wednesday in January, present to the governor and council, a report of the doings of the board, and the results of his own labors and investigations, together with useful communications, suggestions and recommendations. Twelve thousand copies of said report shall be printed, all bound in cloth, one-half of such for the legislature, and the remainder, after reserving a suitable number for foreign exchanges, for distribution, under the direction of the board, among the agricultural associations and the people of the state.'

Approved March 28, 1897.

### Chapter 267.

An Act to provide for an investigation of the causes of Fires, and the publication of statistics relating to the same.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Municipal  
officers  
shall inves-  
tigate ori-  
gin of all  
fires and  
insurance  
commis-  
sioner  
shall be no-  
tified.

Sect. 1. When property is destroyed or damaged by fire it shall be the duty of municipal officers in cities and towns to immediately notify the insurance commissioner of the same, and to investigate, or cause to be investigated, the cause, circumstances and origin of the fire, and especially to examine whether it was the result of carelessness or of design. The investigation shall be commenced within three days after the occurrence of the fire, not including the Lord's day, and the insurance commissioner shall have the right to supervise and direct such investigation whenever he deems it expedient or necessary.

—commis-  
sioner shall  
have right  
to direct in-  
vestiga-  
tion.

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Sect. 2. When the municipal officers have completed their investigation, which shall be within two weeks after the occurrence of the fire, they shall immediately file with the insurance commissioner a written statement of all the facts relating to the cause, circumstances and origin of the fire; the kind, value and ownership of the property destroyed or damaged, and such other information as may be required by said commissioner. The insurance commissioner shall make a record of all fires investigated under this act, together with all facts, statistics and circumstances connected therewith. Such record shall at all times be open to public inspection, and such portions of it as the commissioner deems expedient shall be published in his annual report to the governor and council.

Municipal officers shall file with commissioner, statement of facts relating to cause of fire.

—commissioner shall make record, which shall be open to the public.

Sect. 3. It shall be the duty of the insurance commissioner, whenever he deems it expedient or advisable, to examine or cause to be examined the cause, circumstances and origin of all fires occurring in the cities and towns within the state, of which he has knowledge, by which property is damaged or destroyed, and to specially examine and decide whether the same was the result of carelessness or design. The insurance commissioner shall, when in his opinion said proceedings are necessary, take or cause to be taken the testimony on oath of all persons supposed to be cognizant of any facts or to have means of knowledge in relation to the matters as to which an examination is herein required to be made, and may cause the same to be reduced to writing. If he shall be of the opinion that there is evidence sufficient to charge any person with the crime of arson or incendiarism, he shall cause such person to be arrested and charged with such offense, and shall furnish to the proper county attorney all such evidence, together with the names of witnesses and all information obtained by him, including a copy of all pertinent and material testimony in the case.

Commissioner may examine into cause and origin of all fires.

—may take testimony on oath.

—If evidence is sufficient, he shall cause arrest of person charged with the crime of arson.

Sect. 4. The insurance commissioner, the deputy insurance commissioner and the municipal officers of cities and towns shall each have the powers of a trial justice for the purpose of summoning and compelling the attendance of witnesses before them or either of them, to testify in relation to any matter which is by the provisions of this act a subject of inquiry and investigation. Said insurance commissioner, deputy insurance commissioner and municipal officers may also administer oaths and affirmations to persons appearing as witnesses before

Witnesses may be compelled to attend hearing.

—and give testimony under oath.

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—commis-  
sioner may  
enter any  
building  
when fire is  
in progress.

—investiga-  
tions may  
be private.

Duty of in-  
surance  
companies  
to report  
to com-  
missioner,  
adjust-  
ment of all  
losses.

Appropri-  
ation to  
carry out  
provisions  
of this act.

Municipal  
officers  
shall keep  
record of  
returns.

Penalty for  
neglect.

Chapter 98,  
laws, 1896,  
repealed.

When act  
shall take  
effect.

them; and false swearing in any matter or proceeding aforesaid shall be deemed perjury and shall be punished as such. Said insurance commissioner and his subordinates shall have authority, at all times of the day or night, in the performance of the duties imposed by this act, to enter upon and examine any building or premises where a fire is in progress or has occurred, and other buildings or premises adjoining or near the same. All investigations held by or under the direction of the insurance commissioner, deputy insurance commissioner or the municipal officers may in their discretion be private, and persons other than those required to be present by the provisions of this act may be excluded from the place where such investigation is held, and witnesses may be kept separate and apart from one another and not allowed to communicate with one another until they have been examined.

Sect. 5. It shall be the duty of every fire insurance company or association transacting business in this state to report to the insurance commissioner, within ten days after the adjustment of every loss, the amount of all policies issued by said company on the property destroyed or damaged, the amount paid or payable on account of such loss, and such other information relating to the matter as the commissioner may require.

Sect. 6. The insurance commissioner may employ such clerks and assistants, provide such blanks, and incur such expenses as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this act, not to exceed two thousand dollars in any year, and all bills and expenses incurred shall be audited by the governor and council.

Sect. 7. It shall be the duty of the municipal officers to record or cause to be recorded, in a book provided by the insurance commissioner, all returns made under the provisions of this act.

Sect. 8. Any city or town officer, or any insurance company neglecting or refusing to perform any duty required by the provisions of this act shall be punished by a fine of not less than ten dollars nor more than one hundred dollars for each offense.

Sect. 9. Chapter ninety-eight of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five and all acts and part of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Sect. 10. This act shall take effect on the first day of May, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

Approved March 23, 1897.

**Chapter 268.**

An Act to amend Section two hundred and five of Chapter six of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Section eleven of Chapter seventy of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to Taxes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section two hundred and five of chapter six of the revised statutes, as amended by section eleven of chapter seventy of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, is hereby further amended, so as to read as follows:

'Sect. 205. In the trial of any action at law or in equity, involving the validity of any sale of real estate for non-payment of taxes, it shall be sufficient for the party claiming under it, in the first instance, to produce in evidence the collector's or treasurer's deed, duly executed and recorded, which shall be prima facie evidence of his title, and if the other party claims and offers evidence to show that such sale was invalid and ineffectual to convey the title, the party claiming under it shall have judgment in his favor so far as relates to said tax title, if he then produces the assessment, signed by the assessors, and their warrant to the collector, and proves that such collector or treasurer complied with the requirements of law in advertising and selling such real estate, and in all such actions involving the validity of sales made after April twenty-six, eighteen hundred and ninety-five, the collector's return to the town clerk's record, or if lost or destroyed, said clerk's attested copy of such record, as provided in section one hundred and ninety-seven of said chapter, as herein amended, shall be prima facie evidence of all facts therein set forth.'

Section 205, chapter 6, R. S., as amended by chapter 70, laws, 1896, further amended.

Validity of sale of real estate for taxes.

—collector's or treasurer's deed, prima facie evidence.

—when other party may have judgment.

Approved March 23, 1897.

CHAP. 269**Chapter 269.**

An Act to amend Sections six and nine of Chapter eighteen of the Revised Statutes, relating to Ways.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 6,  
chapter 18,  
R. S.,  
amended.

Sect. 1. Section six of chapter eighteen of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the words: 'But the provisions of this section shall not apply when a location has been determined by a committee of the supreme judicial court upon appeal from the decision of the county commissioners thereon. In such a case proceedings regarding the location shall become effectual as if no appeal for increase of damages had been taken,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Proceed-  
ings before  
and after  
decision re-  
specting in-  
crease of  
damages.

'Sect. 6. When a notice of appeal for increase of damages is presented within the time allowed, the case shall be further continued until a final decision respecting damages is made. If they then are of opinion that their proceedings, or any part thereof, ought not to take effect, subject to such damages as have been assessed, they shall enter a judgment that the prayer of the petitioners, or any part thereof, designating what part, is not granted for that reason. Upon such judgment no damages shall be allowed for that part of the prayer of the petitioners not granted, but the costs shall be paid by the county; or if of opinion that such increase of damages should prevent a confirmation of a part or parts only of their proceedings, they shall designate such part or parts, and enter judgment accordingly; and the whole proceedings shall be recorded and become effectual. But the provisions of this section shall not apply when a location has been determined by a committee of the supreme judicial court upon appeal from the decision of the county commissioners thereon. In such case proceedings regarding the location shall become effectual as if no appeal for increase of damages had been taken.'

—provis-  
ions of this  
act shall  
not apply,  
when loca-  
tion has  
been deter-  
mined upon  
appeal to  
supreme  
judicial  
court.

Section 9,  
amended.

Sect. 2. Also section nine of said chapter eighteen is hereby amended by adding after the word "allowed," in the first line thereof, the words 'not exceeding;' also after the word "proceedings," in the second line thereof, the words 'regarding the location;' also by substituting the word 'two' in place of "three" in the third line thereof, so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:



'Sect. 9. The owners of land taken shall be allowed not exceeding one year after the proceedings, regarding the location, are finally closed to take off timber, wood or any erection thereon. A time not exceeding two years shall be allowed for making and opening the way.'

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 24, 1897.

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Time allowed for removing growth, and opening way.

### Chapter 270.

An Act relating to the transportation by common carriers, of property, the title to which is disputed.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. When property is delivered to a common carrier, for transportation, and any person other than the consignor or consignee shall claim the title to such property and shall forbid its transportation, he shall forthwith give written notice to the carrier forbidding its transportation, and thereupon the carrier shall be authorized to delay the transportation for the space of five days, and unless within such five days such claimant shall replevy such property, or if he shall fail to give such written notice the carrier is authorized to proceed with the transportation of such property and shall not be liable for so transporting.

Transportation of property, when the title is in dispute.

—proceedings.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 25, 1897.

### Chapter 271.

An Act to establish the salary of the Judge of Probate in the County of Piscataquis.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

From and after the first day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, the salary of the judge of probate of the county of Piscataquis shall be five hundred dollars per annum, instead of the sum now allowed by law.

Salary of judge of probate, Piscataquis county, established.

Approved March 25, 1897.

**Chapter 272.**

An Act to amend Section twelve of Chapter sixty-seven of the Revised Statutes, relating to the mortgaging of Ward's estate by Guardians.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 12,  
chapter 67,  
R. S.,  
amended.

Section twelve of chapter sixty-seven of the revised statutes is amended by inserting after the word "sell," in the sixth line, and before the words "the estate" in the same line, the words 'or mortgage;' and by adding to the end of said section the following sentence, 'but no mortgage shall be made except for such amount, time and rate as the court shall determine in its decree granting license; such mortgage and the indebtedness secured thereby shall bind only the estate of the ward,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

How guar-  
dians shall  
manage  
ward's es-  
tate.

'Sect. 12. The guardian shall manage the estate of his ward frugally and without waste; apply the income and profits thereof, so far as are needed, for the comfortable and suitable maintenance of the ward and his family, and if they are insufficient for that purpose, he may use the principal; and when an exigency occurs, the guardian may apply for a license to sell or mortgage the estate of his ward, and devote the proceeds to the purpose contemplated by his license; but no mortgage shall be made except for such amount, time, and rate as the court shall determine in its decree granting license; such mortgage and the indebtedness secured thereby shall bind only the estate of the ward.'

Approved March 25, 1897.

**Chapter 273.**

An Act additional to Section one hundred and four, Chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes of eighteen hundred and eighty-three, as now amended, relating to the duties of the State Superintendent of Schools.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section one hundred and four of chapter eleven of the revised statutes, is amended by adding thereto paragraph eleven, which said paragraph shall read as follows:

Section 104,  
chapter 11,  
R. S.,  
amended.

'XI. The state superintendent shall furnish to the school officers of each town, proper blank books in which shall be kept complete and itemized records of all matters relating to moneys appropriated, received and expended for schools, which said books shall remain the property of the state.'

Superin-  
tendent  
shall fur-  
nish record  
books to  
school off-  
cers.

Sect. 2. All acts and parts of acts, inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed.

Inconsis-  
tent acts,  
repealed.

Approved March 25, 1887.

**Chapter 274.**

An Act to amend Sections fifty-nine, sixty and sixty-one of Chapter six of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taxation of Insurance Companies.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sections fifty-nine, sixty and sixty-one of the revised statutes are hereby amended so that said sections, as amended, shall read as follows:

Sections 59,  
60 and 61,  
(chapter 6,)  
amended.

'Sect. 59. Every insurance company or association which does business or collects premiums or assessments in the state, not incorporated or associated under its laws, shall, as hereinafter provided, annually pay a tax upon all premiums received, whether in cash or in notes absolutely payable, on contracts made in the state for insurance of life, property or interests therein, at the rate of one and one-half per cent a year.

Foreign in-  
surance  
companies  
shall pay  
tax on  
premiums.

'Sect. 60. In determining the amount of tax due under the preceding section, there shall be deducted by each company from the full amount of premiums received, the amount of all return premiums on policies canceled, the amount of all premiums paid to companies authorized to transact business in this state for reinsurance of risks in Maine, and the tax shall

Amount of  
tax, how  
deter-  
mined.

—how com-  
puted.

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Such companies shall make return.

—tax, how to be assessed.

—companies shall be notified of assessments and be suspended for non-payment.

be computed on the amount thus actually received by said companies or their agents as aforesaid.

'Sect. 61. Every company or association which by the two preceding sections is required to pay a tax, shall, on or before the thirty-first day of each January, make a return under oath to the insurance commissioners, stating the amount of all premiums received by said company, either in cash or notes absolutely payable, during the year ending on the thirty-first day of December previous, the amount of return premiums on policies canceled during said year, the amount of all premiums paid to or received from other companies during the year for insurance or reinsurance of risks in this state; the names of the companies with which such insurance or reinsurance was effected; the amounts of the policies and the premiums on the same. Said tax shall be assessed by the treasurer of state on or before the first day of April, upon the certificate of the insurance commissioner, to be seasonably furnished therefor, the same to be paid on or before the first day of May following. The treasurer shall notify the several companies of the assessment, and unless the same is paid as aforesaid, the commissioner shall suspend the right of the company to do any further business in the state until the tax is paid.'

Approved March 25, 1897.

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## **Chapter 275.**

An Act to amend Section eleven of Chapter sixty-three of the Revised Statutes, relating to Probate Courts.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 11, chapter 63, R. S., amended.

Section eleven of chapter sixty-three of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the words "except to the truth of accounts by them rendered" in the second line of said section, and by striking out the word "or" after the word "probate" in the eighth line and inserting a comma in lieu thereof; and by inserting after the words "justice of the peace" in said line the words 'or by any woman appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, to administer oaths in the state,' and by striking out all of said section after the word "recorded" in the tenth line, and inserting in lieu

thereof the following, 'when executors, administrators, guardians and trustees reside without the state they may make oath to the truth of accounts, before a justice of the peace, a commissioner for the state of Maine or a United States consul,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 11. All oaths required to be taken by executors, administrators, trustees or guardians, and all oaths required of commissioners of insolvency, appraisers and dividers of estates, or of any other persons in relation to any proceeding in the probate court, or to perpetuate the evidence of the publication of any order of notice, or of any notice of the time and place of sale of real estate by license of a judicial or probate court, may be administered by the judge or register of probate, by any justice of the peace, or by any woman appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, to administer oaths in the state; and a certificate thereof, when taken out of court, shall be returned into the registry of probate, and there filed and recorded. When executors, administrators, guardians and trustees reside without the state, they may make oath to the truth of accounts, before a justice of the peace, a notary public, a commissioner for the state of Maine or a United States consul.'

Oaths required may be taken before judge, register, justice of the peace, etc.

—how executors, etc., may make oath to accounts.

Approved March 25, 1887.

## Chapter 276.

Chapter 276 is omitted from this publication by direction of the Legislature, its purpose being only, to correct a clerical error in chapter 232, public laws of 1897, which error has been corrected and the said chapter 232, printed in its amended form.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

CHAP. 277**Chapter 277.**

**An Act to Amend Section forty-two of Chapter ninety-two of the Revised Statutes relating to the Inspection of Dams and Reservoirs.**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

**Section 42,  
chapter 92,  
R. S.,  
amended.**

Section forty-two of chapter ninety-two of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out in the third line thereof the words "during August, September and October" and inserting instead thereof the words 'hold said office till his successor is appointed and qualified;' also by inserting after the words "tax payers," the words 'of any town or several towns,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

**Engineer  
shall be ap-  
pointed to  
inspect  
dams and  
reservoirs.**

'Sect. 42. The governor, with the advice and consent of council, shall annually appoint a competent and practical engineer, a citizen of the state, who shall hold said office till his successor is appointed and qualified, and who shall upon the petition of ten resident tax payers of any town or several towns, the selectmen or assessors of any town, or the county commissioners of any county, inspect any dam or reservoir located in such town or county, erected for the saving of water for manufacturing or other uses, and after personal examination and hearing the testimony of witnesses summoned for the purpose, he shall forthwith report to the governor his opinion of the safety and sufficiency thereof.'

**Approved March 25, 1897.**

**Chapter 278.**

An Act to amend Section six of Chapter one hundred and thirty-two of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, relating to Punishment for Intoxication.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section six of chapter one hundred and thirty-two of the public laws enacted in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and ninety-one, is hereby so amended that the punishment for the second or any subsequent conviction for the offense of intoxication shall be by imprisonment for not exceeding ninety days; instead of imprisonment for thirty days as is by such section now provided.

Section 6,  
chapter 132,  
public laws,  
1891,  
amended.

—intoxica-  
tion, pun-  
ishment for.

Approved March 25, 1897.

**Chapter 279.**

An Act to regulate the packing of Sardines.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The commissioner of sea and shore fisheries shall require a strict observation of the following rules. Whoever catches, takes, preserves, sells, or offers for sale between the first day of December and the tenth day of the following May, any herring for canning purposes less than eight inches long, measured from one extreme to the other, or packs or cans sardines of any description, between the first day of December and the tenth day of the following May, forfeits twenty dollars for every hundred cans so packed or canned, and for every hundred herring so taken; and whoever bakes, fries, packs or cans any herring or other fish for sardines without heading and eviscerating the same, and whoever sells, offers for sale or has in his possession for sale any sardines packed without being so headed and eviscerated shall forfeit twenty dollars for every hundred cans so packed, sold, offered for sale or in possession for sale, to be recovered by indictment or action of debt, one half to the complainant or prosecutor, and one half to the town in which the offense is committed. In packing herring, mackerel or other fish in hermetically sealed cans, either in oil, mustard or vinegar, there shall be used not less than three

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—penalty  
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May 10.

—penalty  
for pack-  
ing herring  
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amount of  
oil and  
mustard  
that shall  
be used in  
packing  
herring.

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—how oil  
shall be  
measured.

—penalty  
for packing  
fish in viola-  
tion of this  
act.

Cans shall  
be labeled  
with qual-  
ity, pack-  
er's name  
and place of  
business.

how swell  
heads, etc.,  
shall be  
treated.

—penalty  
for selling  
sardines in  
violation of.

No can  
shall con-  
tain less  
than six  
fish.

—fish shall  
be flaked  
before bak-  
ing.

—penalty  
for viola-  
tion.

quarts of oil, of the first quality, pure summer or winter cotton oil or any food oil of equal quality, for every hundred cans so packed of the size known as quarter oils; three quarts of mustard sauce of good quality for every fifty cans of the size known as three-quarter mustards; and for every one hundred cans of the size known as one-quarter mustards; one gallon of vinegar for every one hundred cans of the size known as one quarter spiced; and for every fifty cans of the size known as three-quarter spiced or tomato. Proprietors of fish packing factories shall provide sealed measures holding one one-hundredth part of three quarts each, which shall be used in measuring all oil into quarter oil sardine cans, and measures holding one-fiftieth part of a gallon which shall be used in measuring all mustard sauce and vinegar into three-quarter size cans used in packing sardines, and all fish packed as aforesaid shall be when so packed good and sound, except that they shall be cleaned, headed and eviscerated. Whoever packs or cans, or causes to be packed or canned any fish in violation of this section shall forfeit twenty dollars for every one hundred cans, or fifty cans as aforesaid, as the case may be, so packed by him or by his employes, to be recovered by complaint.

Sect. 2. All cans shall be decorated, stamped or labeled with quality, packer's name and place of business, or merchant's name for whom the same are packed, all leaks, swell heads and blow heads, shall be thoroughly mended and filled with oil or vinegar, as per kind of sardines, and then bathed in boiling water for not less than twenty minutes, or in retort, at a temperature of two hundred and forty degrees, not less than five minutes. Whoever sells or offers for sale, any sardines in violation of this section shall forfeit one dollar for every can so sold or offered for sale, to be recovered by action, indictment or action of debt, one-half to the complainant or prosecutor and one-half to the town in which the offense was committed.

Sect. 3. No can of sardines shall be packed with less than six fish and no fish shall be packed as sardines unless they have been headed and eviscerated within twenty-four hours from the time they arrive at the factory. No fish shall be baked for sardines in ovens unless they shall first be properly flaked in rows and laid on without overlapping. Whoever flakes, bakes or packs any sardines in violation of this section forfeits five dollars for every hundred fish so flaked, baked or packed, to be recov-



ered by indictment or action for debt, one-half to the complainant or prosecutor, and one-half to the town in which the offense is committed.

Sect. 4. Section two of this act shall not apply to certain articles of stock in possession of any packer of sardines when this act is approved, as follows: decorated tin plate, cans, metal, labels and cans of sardines, nor to goods packed previous to the approval of this act. But this exemption does not apply to any of the methods, processes or regulations in regard to canning sardines or mending leaky cans provided for in this act. All packers of sardines shall file with the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries, or his wardens, within ten days after the approval of this act, a true list or schedule of all decorated cans and tin plate, metal, labels and cans of sardines, in his possession at the time of the approval of this act, subscribed and sworn to by said packer of sardines before a notary or justice of the peace, otherwise he shall not obtain the benefits of this section.

Act shall not apply to certain articles in stock.

—packers shall file schedule of all cans in possession on approval of this act.

Sect. 5. The commissioner of sea and shore fisheries shall insist upon the strict enforcement of this act and require from his wardens who have jurisdiction in localities where sardine canning factories are located, to give a good and sufficient bond in the sum of five thousand dollars payable to the treasurer of the state of Maine, said bond to be deposited in the state treasury, to guarantee the faithful and strict enforcement of the provisions of this act and its penalties, and in no case shall a packer of sardines be accepted as a surety.

Commissioner shall insist on enforcement of act and require bond of wardens.

Sect. 6. The commissioner of sea and shore fisheries or his wardens shall inquire into violations of the laws relating to sardines and enforce the penalties thereto, and for the purpose of inquiring into any violation of said laws, and enforcing the penalties thereof, such commissioner or his deputies may at all reasonable times enter any manufactory, or canning establishment, and make investigations concerning the methods employed and the condition of the product, and if necessary, open packages and cut open cans of sardines for such investigation. Sufficient wardens shall be appointed by the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries to enforce the provisions of this act, and for the city of Eastport and town of Lubec not less than two each, and the compensation of the wardens shall be two dollars per day and expenses when actually employed. No person shall be eligible for appointment as warden who is the owner

Commissioner and wardens may enter any canning establishment for purposes of investigation.

—wardens for Eastport and Lubec.

—eligibility of wardens.

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Inconsis-  
tent acts,  
repealed.

Sect. 7. All acts or parts of acts, that conflict with this act, are hereby repealed.

Approved March 25, 1897.

### Chapter 280.

An Act to amend Section thirteen of Chapter three of the Revised Statutes, in relation to election of Town Officers.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 13,  
chapter 3,  
R. S., as  
amended by  
chapter 10,  
laws, 1887,  
further  
amended.

Section thirteen of chapter three of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter ten of the public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, is hereby further amended by striking out, after the word "ballot" in the third line, the words "or other method agreed on by vote of the town" and substitute instead thereof the words 'or to be appointed by the selectmen,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Officers  
chosen by  
ballot.

'Sect. 13. Moderator, town clerk, selectmen, assessors, and overseers of the poor, treasurer, auditor, school committee, and town agent shall be elected by ballot, and the other said officers by ballot or to be appointed by the selectmen. The town agent shall act under the direction of the selectmen and receive such compensation for his services as fixed by vote of the town; otherwise, as the selectmen shall allow to be paid out of the treasury of the town.'

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agent, ap-  
pointment  
and com-  
pensation.

Approved March 25, 1897.

Chapter 281.

An Act to amend Sections three and eight of Chapter eighty-six and Section seventeen of Chapter eighty-one, Revised Statutes, relating to the service of Trustee Writs.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section three of chapter eighty-six of the revised statutes is hereby repealed and the following enacted in lieu thereof:

Section 3,  
chapter 86,  
R. S.,  
repealed.

'Sect. 3. The officer serving it shall attach the goods and estate of the principal and give to him in hand or leave at his last and usual place of abode a summons of the form hereinafter prescribed; which is sufficient service on the principal whether any trustee is held or not. The summons shall be in substance as follows:

Service of  
writs.

—form of  
summons.

STATE OF MAINE.

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To.....

Greeting:

We command you that you appear at our..... court, next to be holden at.....within and for the county of.....aforesaid, on the.....day of .....next, then and there to answer to..... in a plea of.....which plea the said plaintiff has commenced, to be heard and tried at said court and your goods or estate are attached to the value of.....dollars for security to satisfy the judgment which the said plaintiff may recover upon said trial. Fail not of appearance at your peril.

And to....., trustee of said..... We command you to appear before our said court to be holden as aforesaid, to show cause if any you have, why execution to be issued upon such judgment as the said plaintiff may recover against the said principal defendant in said action, if any, should not issue against his goods, effects or credits in your hands or possession as trustee of said principal defendant.

Witness.....Justice of our said court at..... this.....day of.....in the year of our Lord one thousand.....

.....Clerk.'

Sect. 2. Section eight of said chapter is hereby amended by inserting in the fifth line thereof, after the word "corporations" the words 'except that the service shall be by the sum-

Section 8,  
amended.

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Domestic corporations and foreign companies doing business in the state, may be summoned as trustees.

—may answer by attorney or agent and disclose.

Section 17, chapter 81, amended.

Summons shall be left in case of attachment.

mons described in section three of this chapter,' so that said section eight, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 8. All domestic corporations and all foreign or alien companies or corporations established by the laws of any other state or country, and having a place of business, or doing business within this state may be summoned as trustee, and trustee writs may be served on them as other writs are served on such companies or corporations, except that the service shall be by the summons described in section three of this chapter, and they may answer by attorney or agent, and make disclosures, which shall be signed and sworn to by such attorney or agent or such other person upon whom legal service of the writ may be made; and the same proceedings shall thereupon be had throughout except necessary changes in form, as in other cases of foreign attachment.'

Sect. 3. Section seventeen of chapter eighty-one of revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out of the second line thereof the words "except in trustee process" so that said section seventeen, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 17. When goods or estate are attached on either of said writs, a separate summons in form by law prescribed shall be delivered to the defendant or left at his dwelling house or place of last and usual abode, fourteen days before the sitting of the court to which it is returnable, which is a sufficient service.'

Approved March 25, 1897.

**Chapter 282.**

An Act to amend Chapter one hundred and eighteen, Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, relating to the Registration of Vital Statistics.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Paragraph II of section one of chapter one hundred and eighteen, public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "color" in the fourth line thereof the word 'birthplace,' so that said paragraph, as amended, shall read as follows:

Paragraph II, section 1, chapter 118, public laws, 1891, amended.

'II. The record of marriage shall state its date and place of occurrence, the name, residence, and official character of the person by whom solemnized, the full christian and surnames of the parties, the age, color, birthplace, occupation, and residence of each, the condition, whether single or widowed, whether first, second or other marriage; and the full christian and surnames, residence, color, occupation, and birthplace of their parents.'

What record of marriages, shall state.

Sect. 2. Section three of chapter one hundred and eighteen, public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "recorded" in the sixth line thereof the words, 'and to the clerk of the town in which the marriage was solemnized,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 3, amended.

'Sect. 3. Every person authorized to unite persons in marriage shall make a record of every marriage solemnized before him, in conformity with the requisitions prescribed for blank records of marriages in section one of this act, and shall within six days thereafter, deliver or forward to the clerk of each town in which the marriage intention was recorded, and to the clerk of the town in which the marriage was solemnized, a copy of such record of marriage.'

Copy of record of marriages shall be forwarded to town clerks.

Approved March 25, 1897.

CHAP. 283**Chapter 283.**

An Act to establish the standard weight of a bushel of Parsnips.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Standard  
weight of  
parsnips.

The standard weight of a bushel of parsnips, in good order and fit for shipping shall be forty-five pounds.

Approved March 25, 1887.

**Chapter 284.**

An Act to change the time of holding the October term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the County of Waldo.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 47,  
chapter 77,  
R. S.,  
amended.

Section forty-seven of chapter seventy-seven, of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the words "and the third Tuesdays of April and October" in the thirty-second and thirty-third lines thereof, and by inserting after the word "January" in the thirty-second line, the words 'and the third Tuesday of April and the third Tuesday of September,' so that said lines, as amended, shall read as follows:

—terms of  
court in  
Waldo  
county.

'Waldo, at Belfast, on the first Tuesday of January, and the third Tuesday of April and the third Tuesday of September.'

Approved March 25, 1887.

**Chapter 285.**

An Act to revise and consolidate the Public Laws relating to Sea and Shore Fisheries.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. In each town, where pickled fish are cured or packed for exportation, the governor; with the advice and consent of council, shall, from time to time, as occasion requires, appoint one or more persons skilled in the quality of the same, to be inspectors of fish, who shall hold their office for five years, unless sooner removed by the governor and council.

Inspectors  
of fish, ap-  
pointment  
of.

Sect. 2. Every such inspector, before entering upon his duties, shall be sworn, and give bonds with sufficient sureties to the treasurer of the town for which he is appointed, to the satisfaction of the municipal officers thereof, in the penal sum of not less than five hundred nor more than five thousand dollars, for the faithful performance of his official duties; and such officer shall, at least once a year, examine the bonds given, by said inspectors, and if that of any inspector is not in their opinion sufficient, they shall forthwith notify him, and if he for thirty days thereafter neglects to give satisfactory bond, they shall give information thereof to the governor, who shall remove him from office.

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Shall be  
sworn and  
give bonds  
to satis-  
faction of  
municipal  
officers.

Sect. 3. Every inspector shall, by the thirtieth day of November, annually, make a return into the office of the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries of all fish by him inspected during the year preceding the thirtieth day of such November, designating the quantities, kinds and qualities of pickled fish, and said commissioner shall embody the substance thereof in his next official report.

Inspectors  
shall make  
annual re-  
turns to  
commis-  
sioner.

Sect. 4. Any person injured by the neglect or misdoings of an inspector, on tendering to such treasurer a reasonable indemnity against the costs, may bring an action on such inspector's bond in the name of the treasurer, for his own use, and may have a copy of the bond thereof; and if judgment is rendered thereon for the plaintiff, execution shall issue for the sum found due to the person for whose use such action is brought, and the sum awarded in damages shall be entered by the clerk of the court on the original bond, to remain in the custody of the treasurer.

Any person  
injured by  
neglect of  
inspector,  
may bring  
action on  
bonds.

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How  
pickled fish  
shall be in-  
spected.

Sect. 5. Every inspector who inspects any kind of fish that are split and pickled for packing, shall see that they are, in the first instance, free from taint, rust or damage, and well struck with salt or pickle; and such of said fish as are in good order and of good quality, shall be pickled in barrels, half barrels, quarter barrels, and tenths of barrels or kits; each barrel containing two hundred pounds, and so on in that proportion; and the same shall be packed in good, clean coarse salt, sufficient for their preservation; and then each cask shall be headed up and filled with clear, strong pickle, and shall be branded by the inspector with the name and quality of the fish therein.

Inspection  
of mackerel  
and how  
branded.

Sect. 6. Mackerel of the best quality, not mutilated, measuring, when split, not less than thirteen inches from the extremity of the head to the crotch or fork of the tail, free from taint, rust or damage, shall be branded 'Number one;' the next best quality, being not less than eleven inches measuring as aforesaid, free from taint, rust or damage, shall be branded 'Number two;' those that remain after the above selection, free from taint or damage, and not less than thirteen inches measuring as aforesaid, shall be branded 'Number three large;' those of the next inferior quality, free from taint or damage, not less than ten inches measured as aforesaid, shall be branded 'Number three;' all other mackerel, free from taint or damage, shall be branded 'Number three small.' The inspector shall brand in plain letters on the head of every such cask, the weight, the initials of his christian name, the whole of his surname, the name of his town, and the letters 'ME.,' and an abridgment in figures, of the month and the year, when packed.

How bar-  
rels and  
casks shall  
be made.

Sect. 7. All barrels and casks used for packing pickled fish, shall be made of sound, well seasoned white oak, white ash, spruce, pine, chestnut, or poplar staves with heading of either of such kinds of wood, sound, well planed and seasoned and when of pine, free from sap, and the barrels hooped with at least three strong hoops on each bilge, and three also on each chime; the barrel staves shall be twenty-eight inches in length, and the heads seventeen inches between the chimes, and made in a workmanlike manner, to hold pickle. The barrels from twenty-nine to thirty gallons each, and the aliquot parts of a barrel in the same proportion.

How  
pickled ale-  
wives and  
other small  
fish shall  
be packed.

Sect. 8. Every inspector who inspects pickled alewives or herring, or other small fish, packed whole or round, shall see that they are struck with salt or pickle, and then put in good



casks of the size and material aforesaid, packed closely therein, and well salted, and the casks filled with the fish and salt, putting no more salt with the fish than is necessary for their preservation; and the inspector shall brand all such casks with the name of the inspected fish as aforesaid.

Sect. 9. The fees for inspection and branding, exclusive of cooperage, are for each barrel seven cents, and all such fees shall in the first instance be paid by the original owners of the fish, who may recover the amount thereof from the party buying or receiving the same, under the marks and brands aforesaid, and in addition to the price thereof.

Fees for inspection and branding.

Sect. 10. The owners of all smoked and pickled fish, except smoked herring, shall when required by the inspector, furnish a brand containing the initials of his christian name and the whole of his surname, for stamping the casks and boxes containing such fish.

Owners, when required, shall furnish a brand containing name.

Sect. 11. Whoever sells in the state, or exports therefrom any fish in barrels or boxes, not inspected, packed and branded, as aforesaid, except good and wholesome fish packed in kegs of less than ten gallons, or pickled, dry or smoked fish imported into the state from some other state or country lawfully inspected and branded there, and whoever sells or exports unlawfully any fish known by him to be tainted or damaged, forfeits ten dollars for every hundred weight thus sold or exported.

Penalty for selling or exporting fish not inspected and branded.

Sect. 12. No pickled fish in barrels, and no smoked alewives in boxes, shall be shipped from the state, unless the master or owner of the vessels produces to the officer authorized to clear the same, a certificate from the inspector, that they have been inspected, packed and branded according to law; and the certificate shall express the number of barrels, or casks, and the number of boxes, thus shipped, the kind and quality of fish which they contain, the name of the master and owner, and that of the vessel into which such fish are received for exportation; and he shall take and subscribe the following oath, before the officer as aforesaid: 'I, A. B. swear, according to the best of my knowledge and belief, that the certificate hereunto annexed, contains the whole quantity of pickled fish packed in barrels or other casks, and of smoked alewives and herring, on board the....., master; and that no pickled fish, or smoked alewives are shipped on board said vessel for the ship's company, or on freight or cargo, but such as are inspected and

Fish shall not be shipped until inspector gives certificate of inspection.

—what certificate shall express.

—oath to be administered to master of vessel.

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branded, and no smoked herring but such as are inspected, according to the laws of this state, or exempted by the provisions thereof. So help me God.'

Forfeiture  
for lading  
or receiving  
on board  
any fish  
not packed  
or branded  
as afore-  
said.

—penalty  
for refus-  
ing aid to  
officer.

Penalty  
for substi-  
tuting fish  
not in-  
spected.

Unlawful  
to use  
purse or  
drag seines  
in certain  
waters.

—Casco  
bay.

—excep-  
tion.

—Kenne-  
bec river,  
between  
Fort Pop-  
ham and  
George-  
town.

—Sheep-  
scot river.

—Damaris-  
cotta river.  
—Medomak  
river.

Sect. 13. Whoever lades or receives on board any vessel or other carriage for transportation from the state, any pickled fish, or cured or salted whole fish, packed or not packed, not inspected and branded as aforesaid, except such as is excepted in section twelve, forfeits at the rate of not less than five nor more than ten dollars for every hundred pounds thereof; and any trial justice may issue his warrant to the proper officer, directing him to seize and secure such prohibited fish, and convey it to any inspector within a convenient distance for inspection; and whoever refuses to give necessary aid in the service of such warrant when required by the officer, forfeits five dollars to the prosecutor in an action of debt; and such inspector shall open, inspect, pack, and brand such fish according to law and detain the same until all lawful charges of seizure and inspection are paid.

Sect. 14. If any person takes from a cask or box, any pickled, cured, or smoked fish, lawfully inspected and branded or any smoked herring lawfully branded, and substitutes therefor or fraudulently intermixes other fish; or if any inspector marks any cask or box out of his own town, or which he has not inspected, packed, and himself prepared according to law; permits other persons unlawfully to use his brands; or willfully and fraudulently uses the same himself after the expiration of his commission, he forfeits twenty dollars for each cask or box so dealt with.

Sect. 15. It shall be unlawful to use any purse or drag seines in the following waters, but no others. In Casco bay north of a line easterly from Prince's point in the town of Yarmouth to Bear island in the town of Phippsburg, excepting for smelts, bluebacks and spurling. In Kennebec river above a line drawn across said river to Fort Popham in the town of Phippsburg to a point opposite at the lower end of Long island in the town of Georgetown. In the Sheepscot river above a bridge leading from Wiscasset to Edgecomb. In Damariscotta river above a line drawn from Farnham's head in the town of Boothbay to a point opposite on the shore in the town of Bristol excepting the use of drag seines between the above line and the ledges, for all fish excepting alewives. In Medomak river, above a line drawn from Martin's point in the town of

Friendship, westerly by the northeast end of Hog island to a point opposite in the town of Bremen, or to take smelts in said river and its tributaries in any other way than by hook and line. In the Georges river, above a line drawn from Hooper's point in the town of Saint George, westerly past the northerly end of Caldwell's island to a point opposite on the shore in the town of Cushing, or to take smelts in said river and its tributaries in any other way than by hook and line. All bays, inlets, rivers and harbors east of the west shore of the Penobscot bay and river where any entrance to the same or any part thereof from main land to main land is not more than three nautical miles in width, but purse and drag seines may be used for the purpose of taking smelts in these waters except in Bluehill bay, under a penalty of not exceeding five hundred dollars for each offense for such unlawful fishing to be recovered in an action of debt. The taking of herring, or fishing therefor, by the use of purse or drag seines and all other seines or nets, except the use of seines or nets in weirs, from the first day of June to the first day of November, in the waters of Machias bay and its approaches inside of, or to the northward of a direct line drawn straight from the highest summit of the island called the Brothers, easterly to a point one-half mile distant and due south from Libby island light house, thence from said point easterly to the southerly extremity of the southern island called the Double Head Shots, is hereby prohibited, under a penalty not exceeding five hundred dollars for each offense to be recovered in an action of debt.

Sect. 16. The municipal officers of towns may grant written permits to residents of the state to take, within their towns, shell fish, menhaden or porgies, otherwise than is forbidden in section fifteen, and to those not residents to take the same, on payment of an agreed sum to their town, specifying therein the quantity to be taken, the time to fish, the number of persons to be employed, and the purpose for which the fish may be used; but without such permit any inhabitant, within his own town, may take shell fish for the consumption of his family, and any fisherman may take, anywhere, such fish suitable for bait and necessary for his use, not exceeding seven bushels in the shell, except that oysters shall not be taken by any one in June, July and August.

Sect. 17. Any town may at its annual meeting fix the times in which clams may be taken within its limits, and the prices

Georges river.

—all bays, rivers and harbors east of west shore of Penobscot river and bay.

—smelts may be taken with purse seines except in Bluehill bay.

—penalty.

—taking of herring with drag seines, between June 1 and November 1, in Machias bay, prohibited.

—penalty for violation.

Permits may be granted residents of the state to take shell fish, etc.

—residents may take shell fish for family use without permit.

Town may regulate taking of clams within its limits.

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—clams may be taken for family use without permit.

—section does not apply to hotels, nor taking of clams for bait.

—penalty for taking clams.

—size of clam bait barrels.

Cities and towns authorized to raise money for propagation of fish.

Fish weirs and wharves shall be erected in accordance with this act.

—penalty for erecting weirs in front of shore of another without consent of owner.

—act does not apply to weirs which are removed annually.

Vessels of all kinds owned by non-residents, liable for unlawful fishing.

—any officer may

for which its municipal officers shall grant permits therefor; and unless so regulated by vote, residents of the town may take clams without written permit. But without permit any inhabitant within his own town, or transient person therein, may take clams for the consumption of himself and family. This section does not apply to hotel keepers taking clams for the use of their hotels, nor does it interfere with any law relating to the taking of shell fish for bait by fishermen. Whoever takes clams contrary to municipal regulations authorized by this act, shall, for each offense, be fined not more than ten dollars, or imprisoned not more than thirty days, or both. In all contracts relating to the sale of clam bait by the barrel, and clam bait barrels, unless otherwise specified in the contract, a barrel shall be twenty-seven and one-half inches long, sixteen inches head diameter, outside measure, holding not less than twenty-one gallons and not more than twenty-three gallons.

Sect. 18. Cities, towns and plantations are authorized to raise annually, by a two-thirds vote at their annual meeting, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, to be expended by the municipal officers thereof or by a commission elected by the cities, towns or plantations for the propagation and protection of fish in public waters located wholly or partially within their respective limits. A report of the expenditures thereof shall be made at the next annual meeting by the officer or officers authorized to expend such appropriation.

Sect. 19. No fish weir or wharf shall be extended, erected or maintained, except in accordance with this chapter; and no fish weir shall be erected or maintained in tide waters below low water mark in front of the shore or flats of another without the owner's consent, under a penalty of fifty dollars for each offense to be recovered in an action of debt by the owner of said shore or flats; but this chapter does not apply to weirs, the materials of which are chiefly removed annually, provided that they do not obstruct navigation, nor interfere with the rights of others.

Sect. 20. All vessels, boats, craft, owned and officered by non-residents, and apparatus of every kind, employed in unlawful fishing, or having on board any fish unlawfully taken, are liable for all fines and costs herein provided for; and any officer may seize and detain said property not exceeding twenty-four hours, in order that it may be attached, and taken by due process of law to satisfy any judgment that may be recovered; but

it shall, at any time, be released on payment, by the owner or master, of the fine, costs, and reasonable expenses.

Sect. 21. Any inhabitant of the state, with consent of the adjacent riparian proprietors, may plant oysters below low water mark in any navigable waters, in places where there is no natural oyster bed; inclose such grounds with stakes, set at suitable distances, and extending at least two feet above high water mark; but so as not to obstruct the free navigation of such waters, and have the exclusive right of taking such oysters. Whoever trespasses on such inclosure, or injures such oyster beds, is liable in an action of trespass for all damages; and if he takes any oysters therein without the consent of the owner, he shall forfeit not less than twenty nor more than fifty dollars, or be imprisoned not exceeding three months.

Sect. 22. The following waters and their tributaries are exempt from the provisions relating to migratory fishes, and the supervision of fishways by the commissioners, that is to say: Royall's river in North Yarmouth; Sewall's pond or its outlet in Arrowsic; so much of the waters of Damariscotta river as are west of the railroad bridge near Damariscotta mills; the eastern Penobscot river in Orland; Winslow's stream in Penobscot; all waters in Vinalhaven, Tremont, Mount Desert, Eden, Franklin and Sullivan; Pleasant river in Washington county and East Machias river.

Sect. 23. The governor, with the advice and consent of council, shall appoint a commissioner who shall have general supervision of the sea and shore fisheries and shell fish, regulated by this act and shall hold his office for three years and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

Sect. 24. It shall be the duty of the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries to exercise supervision over all the fisheries and its products taken from tide waters within the state, including the proper enforcement of all laws relating to the catching, packing, curing, manufacturing, branding and transportation of all kinds of pickled, salt, smoked, fresh, canned, frozen shell and other fish.

Sect. 25. The commissioner is hereby required to make a detailed biennial report in the month of December, showing the amount of capital invested, number of men employed, value of products, and any other information that he may be able to obtain relating to the sea and shore fisheries.

Sect. 26. The salary of the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries is hereby fixed at one thousand dollars per annum.

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detain such property 24 hours in order that it may be attached.

Any inhabitant may plant oysters and have exclusive right to take the same.

—penalty for trespassing on such beds.

Waters that are exempt from provisions relating to migratory fish.

Commissioner of sea and shore fisheries, appointment and term of.

Duties.

Shall report biennially.

Salary.

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Wardens shall enforce all laws.

—jurisdiction.

—may without consent, enter any place or search any car, etc.

Fish wardens, appointment and tenure.

—duties, powers and privileges.

—shall give bond.

Salmon, shad and other migratory fish shall not be taken within 500 yards of any fishway or dam.

—nor certain portion of Penobscot river.

—Kennebec river.

—St. Croix river.

Sect. 27. It shall be the duty of the fish wardens to enforce all laws relating to the sea and shore fisheries within the counties in which they separately reside, but they shall not exercise jurisdiction in any other county unless so instructed in writing by the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries. The commissioner of sea and shore fisheries and fish wardens may, with or without warrant, enter upon any vessel, boat, receptacle for fish, or any place or places used therefor, and seize and carry away all fish liable to seizure found therein, and may, with or without warrant, search any car or pound used for the keeping of fish, and seize any car or pound used for the keeping of fish, and seize and carry away all fish liable to seizure found therein, the fish in each case to be disposed of according to law.

Sect. 28. The governor with the advice and consent of council, upon the recommendation of the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries, may appoint suitable persons as fish wardens, who shall hold office for the term of three years unless sooner removed, who shall enforce all laws and the rules and regulations relating to sea and shore fisheries, arrest all violators thereof, and prosecute all offenses against the same; they shall have the same power to serve criminal processes against such offenders, and shall be allowed the same fees as sheriff for like services; they shall have the same right as sheriffs to require aid in executing the duties of their office. They shall before being qualified to discharge the duties required by this act, give a bond with two good and sufficient sureties in the penal sum of two thousand dollars, approved by the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries, to the treasurer of the state, conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties of their office.

Sect. 29. No salmon, shad or other migratory fish shall be taken or fished for within five hundred yards of any fishway, dam, or mill race; nor in the Penobscot river between the mouth of the Kenduskeag stream and the water works dam at Treat's falls on said river, nor between the Augusta highway bridge over the Kennebec river and the Augusta dam; nor any salmon five hundred feet above Ferry point bridge on the Saint Croix river in Calais, between the first days of April and November, except by the ordinary mode of angling with single hook and line or artificial flies, nor shall hook and line or artificial flies be used at any time within one hundred yards of any fishway, dam or mill race; but this section shall not apply to

the taking of alewives by the town of Warren in the Georges river, and by the town of Waldoboro in Medomak river, under the authority granted said towns by the private and special laws of Massachusetts, passed March six, eighteen hundred and two, and amendments thereof, passed by the legislature of this state; nor shall it apply to the taking of alewives by the town of Woolwich in Nequasset stream, provided that fly fishing shall be allowed up to the bridge across the Denny's river at Lincoln's mill, but not between said bridge and Lincoln's mill dam; and provided also, that fishing with an artificial fly or single baited hook and line shall be allowed up to within fifty feet of the dam across the Aroostook river in the town of Caribou. But this section shall not apply to the Laconia falls and the Lower falls, so called, of the Saco river, located at Biddeford and Saco; and upon the first three days of each week, from the first of June to the first of September of each year, all persons may dip for salmon, shad and alewives at the falls last named above. The penalty for violation of this section is a fine of not more than fifty nor less than ten dollars for each offense, and a further fine of ten dollars for each salmon and one dollar for each shad so taken.

Sect. 30. From the fifteenth day of July to the first day of April following, there shall be a close time for salmon during which no salmon shall be taken or killed in any manner, under a penalty of not more than fifty nor less than ten dollars, and a further penalty of ten dollars for each salmon so taken or killed. Provided, however, that between the fifteenth days of July and September, it is lawful to fish for and take salmon by the ordinary mode, with rod and single line, but not otherwise.

Sect. 31. Between the first day of April and the fifteenth day of July there shall be a weekly close time of forty-eight hours from sunrise on each Saturday morning to sunrise on the following Monday morning, during which no salmon, shad, alewives or bass, shall be taken. During the weekly close time, all seines, nets, and other movable apparatus shall be removed from the water. Every weir shall have, in that part where the fish are usually taken, an opening three feet wide, extending from the bottom to the top of the weir, and the netting or other material which closes the same while fishing, shall be taken out, carried on shore, and there remain during the weekly close time, to the extent that during said close time the fish may have a free and unobstructed passage through such

—use of hook and line and flies within 100 yards of fishway, prohibited.

—does not apply to taking alewives in town of Warren.

—nor in the town of Waldoboro.

—shall not apply to taking of alewives in Woolwich.

—fly fishing allowed in Denny's river.

—in Aroostook river.

—act does not apply to certain portions of Saco river.

—penalty for violation of this section.

Close time for salmon between July 15, and April 1.

—penalty.

—salmon may be taken by ordinary mode, between July 15, and September 15.

Weekly close time of 48 hours between April 1, and July 15, established.

—how it shall be observed.

—penalty for violation.

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—rivers to which act does not apply.

Close time for smelts between April 1 and Oct. 1.

—penalty for violation.

—weirs shall be opened and nets removed by April 1.

—penalty.

—certain weirs excepted.

—dip nets may be used between the 1st and 15th days of April.

—Certain waters excepted.

Dip nets with meshes smaller than one inch, prohibited.

—St. Croix river between April 1 and Oct. 1, excepted.

—penalty.

No weir, etc., shall extend into more than two feet of water.

weir or other structure, and no contrivance which tends to hinder such fish shall be placed in any part thereof. If the inclosure where the fish are taken is furnished with a board floor, an opening extending from the floor to the top of the weir is equivalent to one extending from the bottom to the top. The penalty for the violation of this section is twenty dollars for each offense. This section does not apply to the Kennebec, Androscoggin or Penobscot rivers or their tributaries, or to the Saint Croix river below the breakwater at the ledge.

Sect. 32. No smelts shall be taken or fished for in tidal waters, except by hook and line, between the first days of April and October, under a penalty of not less than ten, nor more than thirty dollars for each offense, and a further penalty of twenty cents for each smelt so taken; and all weirs for the capture of smelts shall be opened, and so remain, and all nets used in the smelt and tom-cod fishery shall be taken from the water on or before the first day of April, under a penalty of not less than twenty, nor more than fifty dollars, and a further fine of five dollars for each day that any such weir or net remains in violation of law; but weirs with catch-pounds, covered with net, the meshes of which are one inch square in the clear, or greater, are not subject to this section. Provided, however, that dip nets may be used between the first and twentieth days of April. Provided, further, that this section does not apply to smelts taken in the Androscoggin river above the Merry-meeting bay bridge, between the first days of October and November, nor to smelts taken in the Penobscot river and its tributaries, between the first and the fifteenth days of April, nor to smelts taken in Casco bay between the fifteenth day of September and first day of October, nor to smelts taken in Machias river, above Machiasport toll bridge, between the first day of April and the first day of May.

Sect. 33. No net other than a dip net, the meshes of which are smaller than one inch square in the clear, shall be used in any waters frequented by migratory fishes except the Saint Croix river, between the first days of April and October, under a penalty of not more than twenty nor less than ten dollars for each offense.

Sect. 34. No weir, hedge, set net or any other contrivance for the capture of fish, which is stationary while in use, shall extend into more than two feet of water at ordinary low water, under a penalty of not more than one hundred, nor less than



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fifty dollars, and forfeiture of all apparatus and material so unlawfully used. This provision applies to any seine or drift net which is at any time attached to a stationary object, but not to fykes or bag-nets used in the winter fishery for smelts and tom-cods, nor to any implements lawfully used above the flow of tide, nor to any portion of Penobscot river, bay or tributaries, nor to the Saint Croix river five hundred feet above Ferry's point in Calais.

Sect. 35. The limit of depth prescribed for weirs in the preceding sections shall be measured at the entrance of the weir, provided that no part of the weir known as the leader, is in more than two feet at low water mark. Weirs may exceed the limit of two feet depth, measured as aforesaid, under the following conditions: first, the distance from the before mentioned two feet limit, to the entrance of such weir, shall not exceed one hundred feet; second, no such weir shall obstruct more than one-eighth of the width of the channel; third, every such weir shall be stripped so as to render it incapable of taking fish on and after the twenty-fifth day of June; but these conditions apply only to weirs that exceed the aforesaid limit of depth. The standard for low water mark on the Kennebec river, is in all cases the nearest bench mark of the United States coast survey, allowance being made at the various points for the difference in time. The provisions of this and the preceding sections do not apply to fish weirs built on the sea shores.

Sect. 36. All boats, implements and materials used, and all fish taken in violation of sections thirty-four and thirty-five, are forfeited.

Sect. 37. It shall be the duty of each warden to make a detailed monthly report to the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries of all that has come to his knowledge relating to the fisheries within his county, or in any county where he has rendered services from the first day of one month to the first day of the following month, in such a manner and on such blanks as the commissioner may prescribe and furnish, and to do such other acts as the commissioner may require for the purpose of gaining information and the proper enforcement of the law.

Sect. 38. A bounty of one dollar for each and every seal killed in the waters of this state shall be paid by the treasurer of the town in which such seal is killed, to the person exhibiting to said treasurer the nose of such seal within thirty days after said seal was killed. Such treasurer shall destroy it, and shall

—penalty.

—how this provision shall apply.

Depth of weirs, how measured.

—conditions under which limit may be exceeded.

—standard for low water mark on Kennebec.  
—act does not apply to sea shore fish weirs.

Boats, etc., used and fish taken in violation of sections 34 and 35, forfeited.

Wardens shall report to commissioner, monthly.

Bounty on seals.

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—carcasses shall not be left derelict in any waters.

—seals shall not be destroyed with long range weapon in Casco bay, during the months of June, July and August.  
—penalty.

Unlawful to take, etc., lobsters less than 10½ inches.

—how measured.

—short lobsters shall be liberated.

—penalty.

Close time for female lobsters.

—penalty for violation.

—exception.

Unlawful to can, etc., lobsters less than 10½ inches.

—penalty for violation.

then proceed as in sections six and seven of chapter thirty of the revised statutes. The carcasses of such seals when destroyed shall not be left derelict in any waters of the state, but shall be removed therefrom and properly disposed of by the persons destroying them; provided, however, that it shall be unlawful during the months of June, July and August to destroy seals in the waters of Casco bay by shooting with rifle or other long range weapon, which might endanger human life, under a penalty for a violation of either of the provisions of this section, of fifty dollars, to be recovered upon complaint or indictment before any court of competent jurisdiction.

Sect. 39. It is unlawful to catch, buy or sell, or expose for sale, or possess for any purpose, any lobster less than ten and one-half inches in length, alive or dead, cooked or uncooked, measured in manner as follows: Taking the length of the back of the lobster, measured from the bone of the nose to the end of the bone of the middle flipper of the tail, the length to be taken with the lobster extended on the back its natural length, and any lobster shorter than the prescribed length when caught, shall be liberated alive at the risk and cost of the parties taking them, under a penalty of five dollars for each lobster so caught, bought, sold, exposed for sale, or in the possession not so liberated. The possession of mutilated, uncooked lobsters shall be prima facie evidence that they are not of the required length.

Sect. 40. It is unlawful to destroy, buy, sell, expose for sale or possess any female lobsters in spawn or with eggs attached at any season of the year, under a penalty of ten dollars for each lobster so destroyed, caught, bought, sold, exposed for sale or possessed, provided, however, if it appears that it was intended to liberate them in accordance with the provisions of this act, the person having such lobsters in possession shall not be liable to any of the penalties herein provided for, though he may have failed, for any cause not within his control, to so liberate them.

Sect. 41. It shall be unlawful to can, preserve or pickle lobsters less than ten and one-half inches in length, alive or dead, measured as aforesaid; and for every lobster canned, preserved or pickled contrary to the provisions of this section, every person, firm, association or corporation so canning, preserving or pickling, shall be liable to a penalty of five dollars for every lobster so canned, preserved or pickled contrary to the provisions of this section, and a further penalty of three hun-

dred dollars for every day on which such unlawful canning, preserving or pickling is carried on. CHAP. 285

Sect. 42. All barrels, boxes or other packages in transit containing lobsters, shall be marked with the word lobsters in capital letters, at least one inch in length, together with the full name of the shipper; said marking shall be placed in a plain and legible manner on the outside of such barrels, boxes or other packages; and in case of seizure by any duly authorized officer, of any barrels, boxes or other package in transit, containing lobsters, which are not so marked, or in case of seizure by such officer, of barrels, boxes or other packages in transit, containing lobsters less than the prescribed length, such lobsters as are alive and less than the prescribed length shall be liberated, and all such lobsters as are of the prescribed length found in such barrels, boxes or packages, together with such barrels, boxes or packages, shall be forfeited and disposed of under the provisions of section forty-seven of this act.

How barrels, etc., in transit, containing lobsters shall be marked.

—how lobsters seized in barrels, etc., not properly marked, shall be disposed of.

Sect. 43. Every person, firm, association or corporation who ships lobsters without having the barrels, boxes or other packages in which the same are contained, marked as prescribed in the previous section, shall upon conviction be punished by a fine of twenty-five dollars, and upon subsequent conviction thereof by a fine of fifty dollars; and any person or corporation in the business of a common carrier of merchandise, who shall carry or transport from place to place lobsters in barrels, boxes or other packages not so marked, shall be liable to a penalty of fifty dollars upon each conviction thereof.

How persons shipping lobsters in barrels, etc., not lawfully marked, shall be punished.

—how carriers of such lobsters, shall be punished.

Sect. 44. All cars in which lobsters are kept, and all lobster cars while in the water, shall have the name of the owner or owners thereof on the top of the car, where it may be plainly seen, in letters not less than three-fourths of an inch in length, plainly carved or branded thereon, and all traps, nets, or other device for the catching of lobsters, shall have, while in the water, the owner's name carved or branded in like manner on all the buoys attached to said traps, or other devices, under a penalty of ten dollars for each car, and five dollars for each trap or device not so marked, and if sufficient proof to establish the ownership of such cars or traps cannot be readily obtained, they may be declared forfeited, subject to the provisions of section forty-seven of this act.

Lobster cars, and all traps, etc., shall be marked with owners' name.

—penalty.

Sect. 45. All persons are hereby prohibited from setting any lobster traps within three hundred feet of the mouth or outer

Lobster traps shall not be set within 300

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feet of fish  
weirs.  
—penalty.  
Willful in-  
terference  
with traps,  
how pun-  
ished.

—proviso.

How lob-  
ster cars,  
etc., seized  
under this  
act shall be  
disposed of.

—officer  
shall file  
libel in be-  
half of the  
state.

—what  
shall be set  
forth in  
libel.

—judge  
shall ap-  
point time  
and place  
for hearing.

If a claim-  
ant appear,  
judge shall  
determine  
the cause.

end of the leaders of any fish weir, under a penalty of ten dollars for each offense.

Sect. 46. Whoever takes up, or attempts to take up, or in any way knowingly and willfully interferes with any lobster trap, while set for use, without the authority of the owner thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not less than twenty nor more than fifty dollars; provided, however, that no action, complaint or indictment shall be maintained under this section unless the name of the owner of all such traps shall be carved or branded in legible letters, not less than three-fourths of an inch in length, on all the buoys connected with such traps.

Sect. 47. When any lobsters are seized by virtue of the provisions of this act, it shall be the duty of the officer making such seizure to cause such lobsters, so seized, as he is not required by law to liberate, together with the cars, traps, barrels, boxes or other packages in which they are contained, to be appraised within twenty-four hours after the time of such seizure, by three disinterested men residing in the county where such seizure is made, to be selected by him, and the lobsters, cars, traps, barrels, boxes or other packages so seized and appraised, shall thereupon be sold by the officer making the seizure thereof, at such time and in such manner as shall by him be deemed proper. The officer making such seizure and sale shall within ten days after the time of such seizure file a libel in behalf of the state before a trial justice, or a judge of a police or municipal court of the county in which such seizure was made, setting forth the fact of such seizure, appraisal and sale, the time and place of the seizure, the number of lobsters, cars, traps, barrels, boxes or other packages so seized and sold, and the amount of the proceeds of such sale; and such trial justice or judge shall appoint a time and place for the hearing on such libel, and shall issue a notice of the same to all persons interested to appear at the time and place appointed, and show cause why the lobsters, cars, traps, barrels, boxes or other packages so seized and sold, and the proceeds of such sale, should not be declared forfeited, which notice shall be served upon the owner, if known, and by causing an attested copy of such libel and notice to be posted in two public and conspicuous places in the town in which the seizure was made, seven days, at least, before the time of hearing.

If any person appears at the time and place of hearing, and claims that the lobsters, cars, traps, barrels, boxes or other packages so seized and sold were not liable to forfeiture at the time of

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seizure, and that he was entitled thereto, the trial justice or judge shall hear and determine the cause, and if he shall decide that such lobsters, cars, traps, barrels, boxes or other packages, at the time of seizure were not liable to forfeiture and that the claimant was entitled thereto, he shall order the proceeds of such sale to be paid to the claimant; if no claimant shall appear, or if such trial justice or judge shall decide that such lobsters, traps, cars, barrels, boxes or other packages, at the time of seizure, were liable to forfeiture, or that the claimant was not entitled thereto, he shall decree a forfeiture of such lobsters, cars, traps, barrels, boxes or other packages and of the proceeds of sale, and shall order the proceeds of sale, after deducting all lawful charges, to be paid to the county treasurer, and by him to the state treasurer, to be used as directed in section forty-eight of this act, and shall render judgment against the claimant for costs to be taxed as in civil suits, and issue execution therefor against him in favor of the state, which costs, when collected, shall be paid in to the treasurer of the county, and by him to the treasurer of the state, to be added and made a part of the appropriation for sea and shore fisheries. The claimant shall have the right of appeal to the next supreme judicial court or superior court in the county, upon recognizing and paying the fees for copies and entry as in cases of appeal in criminal cases. The fees and costs of seizure, appraisal and sale, and in all other proceedings in the case, shall be as provided by law in criminal cases, and, in case a forfeiture shall be declared, shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale, otherwise shall be paid by the county, as in criminal cases.

—If claim is allowed, proceeds shall be paid claimant.

—If no claimant shall appear, judge shall decree a forfeiture.

—proceeds shall be paid finally to state treasurer.

—claimant may appeal to supreme judicial court.

—fees and costs, how paid.

Sect. 48. All fines and penalties under this act may be recovered by complaint, indictment or action of debt made or brought by any person in the county where the offense is committed, and shall be paid into the treasury of the county in which the offense is committed, and by such treasurer, to the state treasurer, to be added and made a part of the appropriation for sea and shore fisheries.

Fines and penalties, how recovered and disposed of.

Sect. 49. The commissioner of sea and shore fisheries may take fish of any kind, when, where, and in such manner as he chooses for the purpose of science, of cultivation and of dissemination, and he may grant written permits to other persons to take fish for the same purposes, and may introduce or permit to be introduced any kind of fish into any waters.

Commissioner may take fish at will for certain purposes.

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Certain acts  
and in-  
consistent  
acts, re-  
pealed.

Sect. 50. All acts, or parts of acts, relating to the regulation of the lobster fisheries heretofore passed, and the following sections of chapter forty of the revised statutes; sections one to thirty-three inclusive, sections forty to forty-six inclusive, sections sixty-eight, sixty-nine and seventy-three, and all acts additional or amendatory thereto, and all public acts, or parts thereof, inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, but this act shall not repeal any special and private law relating to any river, bay or coast locality.

When act  
shall take  
effect.

Sect. 51. This act shall take effect on the first day of May, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

Approved March 26, 1897.

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**Chapter 286.**

An Act to amend chapter one hundred and sixteen of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to the Schooling of Children in unorganized townships.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 1,  
chapter 116,  
public laws,  
1895,  
amended.

Sect. 1. Section one of chapter one hundred and sixteen of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five is hereby amended, so as to read as follows:

Schooling  
of children  
in unin-  
corporated  
townships,  
provided  
for.

'Whenever in any unorganized township in this state there shall be two or more children between the ages of four and twenty-one years, the state superintendent of schools shall cause an enumeration of said children to be made and returned to him, and shall provide for the schooling of said children either by establishing a school in the township or by sending the children to schools in adjoining towns or plantations, or both, as shall by him be deemed expedient. In case any of said children are, by the state superintendent, sent to schools in adjoining towns or plantations said children so sent shall have the same right in such school as children resident in said town or plantation. Provided, however, that in case the interest on the reserved fund in any unorganized township is not sufficient to provide schooling for the children of said township for at least twenty weeks in a year, a sum per scholar equal to that apportioned by the state treasurer to each scholar in the state shall be set apart by the state treasurer to pay the expenses of schooling the children in said unorganized township and the state treasurer shall pay the same to the state superintendent of schools upon war-

rants from the governor and council. Provided further, that no money shall be expended under this section for the benefit of any township until the inhabitants of said township shall pay to the state treasurer a sum equal to twenty-five cents for each inhabitant thereof.'

Sect. 2. Section two of said chapter is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

'Sect. 2. The state superintendent shall certify to the governor and council the number and residence of the children enumerated and schooled, as provided in section one of this chapter, together with the cost of schooling said children, and the governor and council shall direct the treasurer of state to pay to the state superintendent of schools the interest on reserved land fund of the township in which said children reside, but not exceeding three dollars for each scholar so enumerated from said unorganized townships. The state superintendent of schools shall pay to the treasurer of any town or plantation in which he may school any of said children, the same amount per scholar that he shall receive from the treasurer of state.'

Approved March 28, 1897.

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—money shall not be expended until township raise certain sum.

Section 2, amended.

Town and plantation where children are enumerated, shall receive certain amount school fund.

### Chapter 287.

An Act to amend Paragraph four of Section six of Chapter six of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Taxation of estate and property of religious societies.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Paragraph four of section six of chapter six of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding after the word "received," in the fifth line of said paragraph, the words 'and personal property not exceeding six thousand dollars in value,' so that said paragraph, as amended, shall read as follows:

'IV. Houses of religious worship, including vestries, and the pews and furniture within the same, except for parochial purposes; tombs and rights of burial; and property held by a religious society as a parsonage, not exceeding six thousand dollars in value, and from which no rent is received, and personal property not exceeding six thousand dollars in value. But all other property of any religious society, both real and personal, is liable to taxation the same as other property.'

Section 6, chapter 6, R. S., amended.

Property exempt from taxation.

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## Chapter 288.

An Act to amend Sections eleven and fourteen, in Chapter fifty-eight of the Revised Statutes, relating to Agricultural Societies.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 11,  
chapter 58,  
R. S.,  
amended.

Sect. 1. Section eleven of chapter fifty-eight of the revised statutes is hereby amended by substituting in the fifth line for the word "awarded" the words 'actually paid in full,' and in the seventh line for the word "awarded" the words 'actually paid in full,' so that said section shall read as follows:

Amount  
that shall  
be paid to  
the agri-  
cultural socie-  
ties by the  
state.

—how  
divided.

—excep-  
tions.

—proviso.

'Sect. 11. There shall be appropriated annually from the state treasury, a sum of money not exceeding one cent to each inhabitant of the state, which shall be divided among the legally incorporated agricultural societies of the state not provided for by special enactment, according to the amount of premiums and gratuities actually paid in full by said societies, provided, that the stipend shall herewith be based entirely upon the premiums and gratuities actually paid in full on exhibition stocks and products, and provided that no society shall receive from the state a sum greater than that actually raised and paid by the society for said purposes. But the Penobscot and Aroostook Union Agricultural Society may annually receive as much as is raised by it, not exceeding one hundred dollars, without regard to population; and the Waldo and Penobscot Agricultural Society, as much as is raised by it, not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars; and the Ossipee Valley Union Agricultural Society, not exceeding two hundred dollars; provided also, that each of the said societies shall cause the prohibitory liquor law to be enforced on all grounds over which they have control, and not allow gambling in any form, or games of chance on said grounds.'

Section 14,  
amended.

Sect. 2. Section fourteen of chapter fifty-eight of the revised statutes is hereby amended in the eleventh line by substituting for the word "awarded" the words 'actually paid in full,' and in the twelfth line by striking out the words, "or otherwise expended within the past year," so that said section shall read as follows:

State-  
ments re-  
quired  
from com-  
petitors,  
for boun-  
ties, and

'Sect. 14. Every society applying for the bounty of the state shall require of all competitors for premiums either on animals, crops, dairy products, or improvements of soils or manures, a full and accurate statement of the process or method of rearing,



managing, producing and accomplishing the same, together with its cost and value, with a view of showing the profits or benefits derived or expected therefrom; and the application for bounty shall embrace all the specifications included in the following form, to wit:

I, A. B., treasurer of the ..... society, hereby apply for bounty in aid of said society, as granted by law, and being sworn, or affirmed, say that \$. . . . . has been raised and paid in good faith into the treasury of said society, and that \$. . . . . has been actually paid in full in premiums, in conformity with law.'

Approved March 26, 1897.

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specifications in treasurer's certificate to state treasurer.

Form of certificate.

### Chapter 289.

An Act additional to Section eighty-eight of Chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes of eighteen hundred and eighty-three, as now amended, relating to returns of Town Superintendents.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Paragraph seven of section eighty-eight of chapter eleven of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter two hundred and sixteen of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, is hereby amended by adding thereto the words, 'He shall also furnish such other information relating to the public schools as the said superintendent shall at any time require of him,' so that said paragraph seven, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 88, chapter 11, R. S., as amended by chapter 216, laws, 1893, further amended.

'VII. He shall give in his returns the number of persons between the ages of four and twenty-one years, corrected to the first day of April preceding the time of making said returns, and full and complete answers to the inquiries contained in the blank forms furnished him by law; certify that such statement is true and correct, according to his best knowledge and belief; and transmit it to the office of the state superintendent on or before the first day of each May. He shall also furnish such other information relating to the public schools as the said superintendent shall at any time require of him.'

Return to state superintendent of schools.

Sect. 2. All acts and parts of acts, inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed.

Inconsistent acts, repealed.

Approved March 26, 1897.

CHAP. 290**Chapter 290.**

An Act to amend Section thirty-two of Chapter sixty-three of the Revised Statutes, relating to Compensation of Surviving Partners.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 32,  
chapter 63,  
R. S.,  
amended.

Section thirty-two of chapter sixty-three of the revised statutes, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "guardians" in the first line, the words 'surviving partners,' so that the same, as amended, shall read as follows:

Fees of  
executors,  
adminis-  
trators,  
guardians,  
etc.

'Sect. 32. Executors, administrators, guardians, surviving partners and trustees, may be allowed one dollar for every ten miles travel to and from court, and one dollar for each day's attendance; and also, at the discretion of the judge, having regard to the nature, liability and difficulty attending their trusts, a commission not exceeding five per cent on the amount of personal assets that come into their hands, and, in cases where legal counsel is necessary, a reasonable sum for professional aid; provided that if the surviving partner or partners succeed to the business of the late firm, the benefit accruing from such succession shall be taken into account by the judge in determining the amount of commission to be allowed.'

Approved March 26, 1897.

**Chapter 291.**

An Act relating to the manufacture, sale and shipment of lime.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sections 1 to  
6, inclusive,  
chapter 39,  
R. S.,  
how ap-  
plied.

The provisions of the revised statutes, chapter thirty-nine, sections one to six inclusive, as amended, shall be held or construed to apply only to lime manufactured for shipment or sale which is contained in casks or barrels.

Approved March 26, 1897.

**Chapter 292.**

An Act to amend Section forty-five of Chapter thirty-eight of the Revised Statutes, relating to the inspection of Milk.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section forty-five of chapter thirty-eight of the revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting after the word "evidence" in the eighth line of said section the words, 'Said inspectors shall leave with the owner of the milk inspected a sealed specimen of the milk examined by them, which shall be marked in the same manner as the specimen taken at that time by said inspectors,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 45,  
chapter 38,  
R. S.,  
amended.

'Sect. 45. Inspectors shall keep an office and books for the purpose of recording the names and places of business of all persons selling milk within their limits. They may enter any place where milk is kept or stored for sale, and examine all carriages used in the conveyance thereof, and when they have reason to believe any milk found therein to be adulterated, they shall take specimens thereof, and cause them to be analyzed or otherwise satisfactorily tested, and they shall preserve the result as evidence. Said inspectors shall leave with the owner of the milk inspected a sealed specimen of the milk examined by them, which shall be marked in the same manner as the specimen taken at that time by said inspectors, and prosecute for all violations of the two following sections.'

Duties of  
inspectors  
of milk.

Approved March 26, 1897.

**Chapter 293.**

An Act relating to Transfers of Stock.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The delivery of a certificate of stock of a corporation to a bona fide purchaser or pledgee for value, together with a written transfer of the same or a written power of attorney to sell, assign and transfer the same, signed by the owner of the certificate, shall be a sufficient delivery to transfer the title against all parties.

What shall  
constitute  
a sufficient  
delivery, to  
transfer  
title to  
stock,  
against all  
parties.

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Holder of stock as security merely, shall not be subject to liabilities of a stockholder.

Transfer of stock shall not affect holder of record till transfer is recorded, etc.

Executors, etc., holding stock shall not be personally liable as stockholders.

Sect. 2. A pledgee for value, holding a certificate of stock of a corporation for security merely, shall not, while he so holds such stock, be subject to any of the liabilities of a stockholder, unless he appears on the books of the corporation as the absolute owner of such stock.

Sect. 3. No transfer shall affect the right of the corporation to pay any dividend due upon the stock, or to treat the holder of record as the holder in fact, until such transfer is recorded upon the books of the corporation or a new certificate is issued to the person to whom it has been so transferred.

Sect. 4. Persons holding stock as executors, administrators, guardians, or trustees, shall not be personally subject to any liabilities as stockholders; but the estates and funds in their hands shall be liable in like manner and to the same extent as the testator, intestate, ward, or person interested in such trust funds would be if they were respectively living and competent to act and hold the stock in their own names.

Approved March 26, 1897.

## Chapter 294.

An Act in relation to the duties and compensation of the State Prison Physician.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Duties of state prison physician.

—compensation.

Sect. 1. It shall be the duty of the state prison physician to visit the state prison daily to attend to sick prisoners; also to examine all prisoners claiming to be ill and determine their ability to work. For these services and for attendance upon the insane department of the state prison, under the direction of the superintendent of the Maine Insane Asylum, he shall be paid two hundred and fifty dollars out of the state treasury, in addition to the compensation now provided by law.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 26, 1897.

**Chapter 295.**

An Act to amend Section three, Chapter eleven, of the Revised Statutes of eighteen hundred and eighty-three, as now amended, relating to discontinuing schools and conveying school children.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section three of chapter eleven of the revised statutes, as amended by sections two and three of chapter two hundred sixteen of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, is hereby amended by striking out all of said section after the word "town" in the sixteenth line thereof, and adding 'but any public school failing to maintain an average attendance for any school year of at least eight pupils shall be and hereby is suspended, unless the town in which said school is located shall by vote instruct its superintending school committee to maintain said school. The superintendent of schools in each town shall procure the conveyance of all public school pupils residing in his town, to and from the nearest school, for the number of weeks for which schools are maintained in each year, when such pupil resides at such a distance from the said school as to render such conveyance necessary;' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sect. 3. This act shall not abolish or change the location of any school legally established at the time of its passage; but any town at its annual meeting, or at a meeting called for the purpose, may determine the number and location of its schools, and may discontinue them or change their location; but such discontinuance or change of location shall be made only on the written recommendation of the superintending school committee, and on conditions proper to preserve the just rights and privileges of the inhabitants for whose benefit such schools were established; provided, however, that in case of any school having, as now established, or which shall hereafter have, too few scholars for its profitable maintenance, the superintending school committee may suspend the operation of such school for not more than one year, unless otherwise instructed by the town, but any public school failing to maintain an average attendance for any school year, of at least eight pupils, shall be and hereby is suspended, unless the town in which said school is located shall by vote instruct its superintending school committee to maintain said school. The superintendent of schools in each

Section 3,  
chapter 11,  
R. S., as  
amended by  
chapter 216,  
laws, 1893.  
further  
amended.

Act shall  
not change  
location of  
any school  
district.

—towns  
may deter-  
mine num-  
ber and lo-  
cation on  
recommen-  
dation of  
school com-  
mittee.

—opera-  
tion of  
schools in  
small dis-  
tricts may  
be sus-  
pended.

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—shall procure conveyance for scholars.

Inconsistent acts, repealed.

town shall procure the conveyance of all public school pupils residing in his town, to and from the nearest suitable school, for the number of weeks for which schools are maintained in each year, when such pupils reside at such a distance from the said school as to render such conveyance necessary.'

Sect. 2. All acts and parts of acts, inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed.

Approved March 26, 1897.

## Chapter 296.

An Act relating to the employment of Superintendents of Schools.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Two or more towns may unite in the employment of a superintendent of schools.

Sect. 1. On and after July \*first, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, the school committees of two or more towns, having under their care and custody an aggregate of not less than twenty-five or more than fifty schools, may unite in the employment of a superintendent of schools, provided they have been so authorized by a vote of their towns at the regular town meetings, or special town meetings called for that purpose.

School committees of such towns, shall form a joint committee.

—shall meet annually.

—choose chairman and secretary.

—shall choose superintendent of schools.

—duties of joint committee.

Sect. 2: The school committees of the towns comprising a union shall form a joint committee, and for the purposes of this act said joint committee shall be held to be the agents of each town comprising the union. Said joint committee shall meet annually at a day and place agreed upon by the chairman of the committees of the several towns comprising the union, and shall organize by the choice of a chairman and a secretary. They shall determine the relative amount of service to be performed by the superintendent in each town, fix his salary, apportion the amounts thereof to be paid by the several towns, which amount shall be certified to the treasurers of said towns respectively; provided that the amounts so certified shall be in proportion to the amount of service performed in the several towns. They shall choose by ballot a superintendent of schools, in which choice the committee of each town shall have a vote proportional to the town's share of the expenditure for the superintendent's salary.

Towns may provide for

Sect. 3. Whenever the chairman and secretary of said joint committee shall certify under oath to the state superintendent

of common schools, the form of certificate to be determined by said state superintendent, in accordance with the provisions of this act, that a union has been effected as herein provided, that the towns unitedly have raised by taxation a sum not less than five hundred dollars for the support of a superintendent of schools, and that under the provision of this act a superintendent of schools has been employed for one year, then, upon the approval of said certificate by the state superintendent of common schools, and the presentation thereof to the governor and council, a warrant shall be drawn upon the treasurer of the state for the payment to the treasurers of the several towns of a sum equal to one-half the amount expended for superintendence by each of the several towns comprising the union, provided that not more than two hundred and fifty dollars shall be paid to any one town or more than seven hundred and fifty dollars to all the towns comprising any union.

compensation of superintendent.

—one half shall be paid by the state.

Sect. 4. The towns uniting for the purpose of employing a superintendent of schools shall appropriate for his salary their proportion of the sum paid said superintendent; and the amount to be paid by each town shall be determined by dividing the entire sum expended for superintendence among the towns comprising the union in the proportion of the service performed in each town.

Each town shall appropriate its proportion for support of superintendent.

—how the amount shall be determined.

Sect. 5. Persons employed to serve as superintendents of schools under this act shall hold state certificates under the act of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, providing for the state examination of teachers, and shall devote their entire time to superintendence.

Qualification of superintendents.

Sect. 6. The powers and duties of superintendents elected under this act shall be the same as those prescribed for town superintendents in chapter eleven, section eighty-seven of the public laws of the state of Maine.

Powers and duties.

Sect. 7. No town shall receive state aid under this act unless its appropriation and expenditure for superintendence have been exclusive of the amount required by law for common school purposes. If any part of the money raised by the towns or union of towns, or paid to them by the state for superintendence, is expended for any other purposes than those provided for in this act, then each person so misappropriating said money shall forfeit double the sum so misapplied, to be recovered in an action of debt, in the name and to the use of the town, by any inhabitant thereof; and no town or union of towns shall

State aid withheld, if expenditure is not exclusive of amount raised for common school purposes.

—penalty for misappropriating money raised for superintendence.

—how enforced.

CHAP. 297 receive further aid under this act until the amount so misapplied has been raised and expended for superintendence by such town or union of towns.

Inconsis-  
tent acts,  
repealed.

Sect. 8. All acts and parts of acts, inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed.

Approved March 26, 1897.

### Chapter 297.

An Act to amend Chapter two hundred and eighty-seven of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to the better protection of Sheep.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 1,  
chapter 287,  
public laws,  
1893,  
amended.

Sect. 1. Section one of chapter two hundred and eighty-seven of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three is hereby amended by adding to said section the words, 'and make a return to the state treasurer of said lists and also of the number of dogs killed, as required by section seven of this act, on or before the fifteenth day of July following; and if any city or town shall fail to return to the state treasurer on or before September first of each year a sum of money equal to the license required by this act, on all dogs living on the first day of July preceding, such deficiency shall be added to the state tax of such delinquent city or town for the following year,' so that said section shall read as follows:

Invento-  
ries shall  
include  
lists of all  
dogs.

—return  
shall be  
made to  
state treas-  
urer.

—penalty,  
if town  
fails to  
make re-  
turn.

Section 2,  
amended.

'Sect. 1. Assessors of cities, towns and plantations shall include in their inventories, lists of all dogs owned by or in possession of any inhabitant on the first day of April, setting the number and sex thereof opposite the names of their respective owners or persons in whose possession the same are found, and make a return to the state treasurer of said lists and also of the number of dogs killed as required by section seven of this act, on or before the fifteenth day of July following; and if any city or town shall fail to return to the state treasurer on or before September first of each year, a sum of money equal to the license required by this act, on all dogs living on the first day of July preceding, such deficiency shall be added to the state tax of such delinquent city or town for the following year.'

Sect. 2. Section two of said chapter is hereby amended by inserting after the words "ten dollars," and after the words "twenty dollars," where they appear in said section, the words, 'and fifteen cents,' so that said section shall read as follows:



'Sect. 2. Every owner or keeper of a dog more than four months old shall annually, before the first day of April, cause it to be registered, numbered, described and licensed for one year from the first day of April, in the office of the clerk of the city, town or plantation where said dog is kept, and shall keep around its neck a collar, distinctly marked with the owner's name and its registered number, and shall pay said clerk for a license the sum of one dollar and fifteen cents for each male dog and three dollars and fifteen cents for each female dog, and a person becoming the owner or keeper of a dog after the first day of April, not duly licensed, shall cause it to be duly registered, numbered, described and licensed as provided above. Every owner or keeper of dogs, kept for breeding purposes, may receive annually a special kennel license authorizing him to keep such dogs for said purpose. When the number of dogs so kept does not exceed ten, the fee for such license shall be ten dollars and fifteen cents; when the number of dogs so kept exceeds ten, the fee for such license shall be twenty dollars and fifteen cents, and no fee shall be required for the dogs of such owner or keeper under the age of six months. Dogs covered by the kennel license shall be excepted from the provisions, of this section requiring registration, numbering and collaring.'

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Dogs shall be registered and licensed.

—collars.

—license fees.

—special kennel license.

—fees.

Sect. 3. Section fourteen of said chapter is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the words, 'provided, however, that the amount to be refunded to such plantations as are taxed as wild land shall be paid direct to the plantation treasurer instead of being credited on state tax,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 14, amended.

'Sect. 14. All money received by the state treasurer as provided in section three of this act and remaining unexpended at the end of the year shall be credited to the several cities, towns and plantations upon their state tax in proportion to the amount each has paid into the treasury under the provisions of this act; provided, however, that the amount to be refunded to such plantations as are taxed as wild land shall be paid direct to the plantation treasurer instead of being credited on state tax.'

How money remaining unexpended in state treasury, shall be disposed of.

Sect. 4. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 26, 1897.

**Chapter 298.**

An Act amendatory of Section nineteen of Chapter twelve of the Revised Statutes, relating to Officers of Religious Societies.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 19,  
R. S.,  
chapter 12,  
amended.

Sect. 1. Section nineteen of chapter twelve of the revised statutes, is hereby amended by adding the suffix 'men' to the word "vestry" in the sixth line thereof, and by striking out the words "such corporations may organize as corporations, and" in the seventh and eighth lines thereof, and inserting in their stead the words: 'For the purpose of organizing any such corporation, one or more members of said corporation may call a meeting thereof by a notice posted upon the outer door of the meeting house or place of public worship of their parish or society at least seven days before the time of holding said meeting; or, if there is no such meeting house or place of public worship, by a notice posted in two public and conspicuous places in the town wherein said parish or society is located. At such meeting the corporation may organize, adopt a corporate name, and elect such officers as its by-laws shall prescribe. Said corporations shall have the powers granted to parishes by section three of this chapter, and may,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Officers of  
churches,  
are corpora-  
tions for  
certain  
purposes.

—how such  
corpora-  
tion may  
organize.

'Sect. 19. The church wardens of episcopal churches, the stewards or trustees of the methodist episcopal church, and the deacons of all other protestant churches, are so far corporations as to take, in succession, all grants and gifts of real and personal estate made to their churches, or to them and their successors; and if the ministers, elders or vestrymen are joined with them in such grants or gifts, the two classes of officers shall be corporations for that purpose. For the purpose of organizing any such corporation, one or more members of said corporation may call a meeting thereof by a notice posted upon the outer door of the meeting house or place of public worship of their parish or society at least seven days before the time of holding such meeting; or, if there is no such meeting house or place of public worship, by a notice posted in two public and conspicuous places in the town wherein said parish or society is located. At such meeting the corporation may organize, adopt a corporate name, and elect such officers as its by-laws shall prescribe. Said corporations shall have the powers

granted to parishes by section three of this chapter, and may make such contracts in relation to such estate, its improvement or disposal, as they may be authorized under the rules of their church, or instructed by the church or society for which they hold such estate in trust, to make, which contracts may be enforced by or against them, as in other cases; provided, however, that no disposal of such estate shall be made, inconsistent with the terms of the grant by which it is held.'

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 26, 1897.

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—make contracts.

—proviso.

### Chapter 299.

An Act to amend Section thirty-one of Chapter eleven, Revised Statutes of eighteen hundred and eighty-three, as amended by Chapters one hundred of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, two hundred and twelve of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine and two hundred and sixteen of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, defining course of study in Free High Schools.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section thirty-one is hereby amended by inserting after the word "studies" and before the word "especially" in the third line of said section the following words, 'which are taught in secondary schools,' and by striking out in the tenth and eleventh lines of said section the words, "on such attainments of scholarship as shall be fixed by the committees having supervision thereof," and inserting in lieu thereof the following words, 'who have such scholastic attainments as will fit them to attend such schools with profit, and the superintendent, or superintending school committee having supervision thereof shall make such examination of candidates for admission to said schools as they consider necessary;' so that said section thirty-one when amended, shall read as follows:

Section 31,  
chapter 11,  
R. S.,  
amended.

'Sect 31. The course of study in the free high schools, shall embrace the ordinary English academic studies which are taught in secondary schools, especially the natural sciences in their application to mechanics, manufactures and agriculture; but the ancient or modern languages and music shall not be taught therein except by direction of the superintending school committees having supervision thereof. Such schools, when established by any town or union of towns, shall be free to all

Course of  
study, and  
what it  
shall em-  
brace.

—excep-  
tions.

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—schools to be free to the youth in any town or union of towns.

—precincts or union of precincts.

—school committee may admit pupils from without town, on payment of tuition, after passing examination.

the youth in such town or towns who have such scholastic attainments as will fit them to attend such schools with profit, and the superintendent, or superintending school committee, having supervision thereof shall make such examination of candidates for admission to said schools as they consider necessary.

When such school is established by any precinct or union of precincts, it shall be free in the same manner to the scholars within such precincts, and open also to scholars passing the required examination from without such precincts, but within the towns in which said precincts are situated, on payment to the agent of the precinct in which such school is located, of such tuition, to be fixed by the superintending school committee or committees having supervision of the same, as is equivalent to the cost a scholar of maintaining such school, after deducting the aid extended by the state. Whenever in the judgment of the superintending school committees having the supervision of any free high school or schools, the number of pupils in the same may be increased without detriment, scholars from without the towns directly interested in such school or schools, may be admitted to the same on passing the required examination and paying such tuition as may be fixed by such committee, to the treasurer of the town in which the school is kept, when the school is maintained by a town or union of towns, or to the agent of the precinct in which the school is kept, when such school is maintained by a precinct or union of precincts.'

Approved March 26, 1897.

### Chapter 300.

An Act to amend Section fifty-five of Chapter thirty-eight of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter one hundred and seventy-four of laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, in relation to sale of Pressed Hay.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 55, chapter 38, R. S., as amended by chapter 174, laws, 1889, further amended.  
—person receiving hay not marked liable to

Section fifty-five of chapter thirty-eight of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter one hundred and seventy-four of the public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, relative to the pressing of hay is hereby amended by adding thereto the following: 'no person who has received hay not marked as provided in this section shall defend any action for the price thereof upon

that ground, unless he shall prove that before the delivery of said hay to him, he requested the person from whom he bought the same to comply with the provisions of this section.'

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defend ac-  
tion for  
price there-  
of.

Approved March 26, 1897.

## Chapter 301.

An Act to amend Section six of Chapter one hundred and eleven of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter seventy-three of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, relating to the recording of Assignments of Wages.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section six of chapter one hundred and eleven of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter seventy-three of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "wages" in the fourth line, the words 'and if said assignor is commorant in an unorganized place while earning such wages, said assignment shall not be valid against any other person than the parties thereto unless said assignment is recorded by the clerk of the oldest adjoining town, provided there be an incorporated town adjoining such unincorporated place, and if there be no such adjoining town such assignment shall be recorded in the office of the register of deeds for the registry district in which said unincorporated place is located,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 6,  
chapter 111,  
R. S., as  
amended by  
chapter 73,  
laws, 1891,  
further  
amended.

'Section 6. No assignment of wages is valid against any other person than the parties thereto unless such assignment is recorded by the clerk of the city, town or plantation organized for any purpose in which the assignor is commorant while earning such wages; and if said assignor is commorant in an unorganized place while earning such wages said assignment shall not be valid against any other person than the parties thereto unless said assignment is recorded by the clerk of the oldest adjoining town, provided there be an incorporated town adjoining such unincorporated place, and if there be no such adjoining town such assignment shall be recorded in the office of the register of deeds for the registry district in which said unincorporated place is located, and the clerk's fee shall be twenty-five cents, and no such assignment of wages shall be valid against the employer unless he has actual notice thereof.'

Assign-  
ment of  
wages, not  
valid unless  
recorded,  
etc.

—where  
assignment  
shall be  
recorded.

—fees.

Approved March 26, 1897.

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**Chapter 302.**

An Act to amend clause twenty-six of Section six of Chapter one of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter one hundred and forty-one of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to Corporations.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Clause 26, chapter 1, section 6, R. S., as amended by chapter 141, laws, 1895, further amended.

\* Clause twenty-six of section six of chapter one of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter one hundred and forty-one of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, is hereby amended by striking out the word "three" in the tenth line and inserting in place thereof the word 'two,' so that said clause shall read as follows:

Acts of incorporation shall be regarded as public acts.  
—limitation.

'XXVI. Acts of incorporation shall be regarded in legal proceedings as public acts, and be in force on the date of their approval. All acts of incorporation granted since January one, eighteen hundred and ninety-three, become null and void in two years from the day when the same take effect, unless such corporations shall have organized and commenced actual business under their charters. The organization of any corporation which may be hereafter organized under any general law of this state becomes null and void within two years from the day when its certificate of incorporation has been filed in the office of the secretary of state, unless such corporation shall have commenced actual business under its organization.'

Approved March 26, 1897.

**Chapter 303.**

An Act to amend Section twenty-nine of Chapter twenty-four of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter thirty-one of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, relating to the Support of Paupers in unincorporated places.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 29, chapter 24, R. S., as amended by chapter 31, laws, 1887, further amended.

Sect. 1. Section twenty-nine of chapter twenty-four of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter thirty-one of the public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, is hereby further amended by adding thereto the following words: 'and the reasonable expenses and services of said overseers relative to such paupers, shall be included in the amount to be so reimbursed by the state,' so that said section shall read as follows:

'Sect. 29. Persons found in places not incorporated and needing relief, are under the care of the overseers of the oldest incorporated adjoining town, or the nearest incorporated town where there are none adjoining, who shall furnish relief to such persons, as if they were found in such towns; and such overseers may bind to service the children of such persons as they may those of paupers of their own town, and may bind out persons described in section twenty-seven in manner therein provided, residing in such unincorporated place, as if in their own town, and such persons shall be entitled to a like remedy and relief. When relief is so provided, the towns so furnishing it have the same remedies against the towns of their settlement as if they resided in the town so furnishing relief. And when such paupers have no legal settlement in the state, the state shall reimburse said town for the relief furnished, to such an amount as the governor and council adjudge to have been necessarily expended therefor. And the reasonable expenses and services of said overseers relative to such paupers, shall be included in the amount to be so reimbursed by the state.'

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect July first, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

Approved March 26, 1897.

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Persons in unincorporated places needing relief, are under care of overseers of oldest or nearest adjoining town.

—they and their children may be bound out.

—remedy of towns, so relieving state paupers.

When act shall take effect.

### Chapter 304.

An Act additional to Chapter thirty-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to sales of property deposited in public warehouses on which the charges thereon shall not have been paid.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

The following section is hereby added to chapter thirty-one of the revised statutes:

'Sect. 10. Whenever goods, merchandise or any articles of personal property shall remain in a public warehouse for one year after the expiration of the time for which the charges thereon shall have been paid, the same may be sold at public auction, subject to the following conditions; the warehouseman shall first demand payment of the charges thereon by registered letter directed to the person who shall have deposited such goods, merchandise or articles of personal property in said warehouse,

Chapter 31, R. S., added to.

Goods, etc., remaining in warehouse one year, may be sold at public auction.

—demand shall first be made for payment of charges upon person depositing goods.

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—notice  
shall be  
given of  
sale.

—what no-  
tice shall  
contain.

—how pro-  
ceeds of  
sale shall  
be dis-  
posed of.

if such person shall have left with the warehouseman his address to which the letter may be directed. After such demand, or in cases where no address shall have been given to the warehouseman to which such letter may be directed, the warehouseman shall give thirty days' notice of the time and place of sale in a public newspaper published in the city or town where the warehouse shall be, or if no public newspaper shall be published in such city or town, then in any public newspaper published in the county in which such city or town shall be; said notices shall contain a brief description of the property to be sold, with such marks thereon as may serve to identify it, if it shall be so marked, together with the name of the person depositing such articles in said warehouse and the name of the owner thereof if known; and shall specify the time after the expiration of said thirty days and the place, which shall be in the city or town where the warehouse shall be, at which the sale shall be made. The proceeds of such goods, merchandise or articles of personal property so sold, after deducting the charges thereon, including the cost of publishing such notice and sale, shall be placed to the credit of the owner of the goods, merchandise or other articles of personal property sold, if known, otherwise to the credit of the person depositing said goods, merchandise or articles of personal property in the books of the warehouseman making the sale, and shall be paid to the owner thereof on demand, and the warehouseman shall not be liable for any greater sum than shall be received from said sale, less said charges thereon.'

Approved March 26, 1897.



**Chapter 305.**

An Act to amend Chapter thirty and Chapter forty of the Revised Statutes, relating to Inland Fisheries and Game.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section nine of chapter thirty of the revised statutes as amended by chapter one hundred nine of the public laws of eighteen hundred ninety-five, is hereby amended by inserting the words 'artificial light' after the word "light" at the end of the first line, and by striking out the words "for not less than one hundred dollars nor more than three hundred dollars," in the fourth and fifth lines, and inserting therefor the words 'shall be imprisoned not exceeding four months' and by striking out the words "and be imprisoned thirty days" in the sixth and seventh lines, and by striking out the word "January" in the eighth line, and inserting therefor the words 'December first,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 9,  
chapter 30,  
R. S., as  
amended by  
chapter 109,  
laws, 1895,  
further  
amended.

'Section 9. Whoever hunts, catches, kills or destroys with dogs, jack light, artificial light, so called, snares or traps, any bull moose, or in any manner hunts, catches, kills, destroys or has in possession any cow or calf moose, or part thereof, shall be imprisoned not exceeding four months for every bull moose or cow or calf moose so hunted, caught, killed, destroyed or had in possession; and no person shall, between the first day of December and the fifteenth day of October, in any manner hunt, catch, kill or destroy or have in possession any bull moose, or any part thereof, taken in close time, under the same penalty.'

Hunting  
bull, cow or  
calf moose  
with dogs,  
jack light,  
etc., how  
punished.

Sect. 2. Section ten of chapter thirty of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter thirty-six of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, is hereby amended by inserting the words 'artificial light' after the word "light" at the end of the first line, and by striking out the word "caribou" wherever it occurs in said section, and by striking out all after the word "penalty" in the seventh line, so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 10,  
amended.

'Sect. 10. Whoever hunts, catches, kills or destroys, with dogs, jack light, artificial light, so called, snares or traps, any deer, forfeits forty dollars for every deer so hunted, caught, killed or destroyed, and be subject to imprisonment thirty days, and no person shall, between the first days of January and October, in any manner, hunt, catch, kill or destroy or have in

Hunting  
deer, with  
dogs, jack  
and arti-  
ficial lights,  
etc., how  
punished.

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**Section 11,  
amended.**

Sect. 3. Section eleven of chapter thirty of the revised statutes, as amended by section three of chapter ninety-five of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, is hereby amended by striking out all of said section after the word "any" in the first line, and adding the words, 'deer, or parts thereof, between the first day of January and the first day of the following October, not by himself killed in open season, except as hereinafter provided, shall be punished by a fine of forty dollars and costs of prosecution for each offense,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

**Possession  
of deer or  
part there-  
of in close  
time, pun-  
ished.**

'Sect. 11. Whoever has in possession any deer, or parts thereof, between the first day of January and the first day of the following October, not by himself killed in open season, except as hereinafter provided, shall be punished by a fine of forty dollars and costs of prosecution for each offense.'

**Section 12,  
amended.**

Sect. 4. Section twelve of chapter thirty of the revised statutes as amended by chapter eighty-seven of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, is hereby amended by substituting therefor the following section:

**Killing in  
open sea-  
son of more  
than one  
bull moose  
and one  
caribou,  
forbidden.**

**—nor more  
than two  
deer.**

**—penalty.**

**—possession,  
evidence of  
guilt.**

**—market  
men may  
keep a cer-  
tain num-  
ber for sale,  
in open sea-  
son.**

'Sect. 12. No person shall take, kill, destroy or have in possession between the fifteenth day of October and the first day of December, more than one bull moose, and one caribou; nor shall any person kill, take, destroy or have in possession between the first days of October and January more than two deer under a penalty of not less than forty dollars and costs for every deer or part thereof, and not exceeding four months imprisonment for each bull moose or caribou so taken, killed or destroyed or had in possession in excess of said number. Whoever has in possession, except alive, more than the aforesaid number of bull moose, caribou or deer, or parts thereof, shall be deemed to have killed or destroyed them in violation of law. But nothing in this section shall prevent any marketman or provision dealer having an established place of business in this state, from purchasing and having in possession at his said place of business three deer, lawfully killed or destroyed, or any part thereof, at one time, and selling the same at retail in open season to his local customers, provided said marketman has complied with the provisions of section thirty-one of this chapter.'

**Section 13,  
amended.**

Sect. 5. Section thirteen of chapter thirty of the revised statutes, as amended by section five of chapter ninety-five of

the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, is hereby amended by striking out all of said section after the word "name" in the fourth line, and adding the words, 'and residence of the owner thereof, and accompanied by him, under a penalty of forty dollars and costs of prosecution for each moose, caribou or deer so transported or carried; and any person not the actual owner of such game or part thereof, who, to aid another in such transportation, falsely represents himself to be the owner thereof, shall be liable to the penalties aforesaid; and it shall be prima facie evidence that said game was illegally killed, that is being transported or carried in violation of this section,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 13. No person or corporation shall carry or transport from place to place any moose, caribou or deer, or part thereof in close time, nor in open time unless open to view, tagged and plainly labeled with the name and residence of the owner thereof, and accompanied by him, under a penalty of forty dollars and costs of prosecution for each moose, caribou or deer so transported or carried; and any person not the actual owner of such game or parts thereof, who, to aid another in such transportation, falsely represents himself to be the owner thereof, shall be liable to the penalties aforesaid; and it shall be prima facie evidence that said game was illegally killed, that is being transported or carried in violation of this section.'

Sect. 6. Section fifteen of chapter thirty of the revised statutes, as amended by section seven of chapter ninety-five of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, is hereby amended by striking out all of said section after the word "violation" in the fifth line, and adding the words 'such game shall be forfeited to the state to be sold for consumption in this state only, and the proceeds thereof shall monthly be paid into the treasury of the state to be added to the fund for the propagation and protection of inland fish and the protection of the inland game,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 15. All game hunted, caught, killed, destroyed, bought, carried, transported or found in possession of any person or corporation, in violation of the provisions of this chapter and amendments thereto, shall be liable to seizure; and in case of conviction for such violation, such game shall be forfeited to the state, to be sold for consumption in this state only, and the proceeds thereof shall monthly be paid into the treasury

Transportation during close time, prohibited.

—nor in open season unless open and tagged, etc.

—penalty.

—falsely claiming to be owner, punished.

Section 15, amended.

—game hunted, etc., in violation of law, liable to seizure.

—may be sold for consumption in the state and proceeds paid into

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the treasurer.

Section 26, amended.

Fines and costs.

—how disposed of.

—if plaintiff prevails, shall have full costs.

—penalty, if officer neglects to pay fines to county treasurer.

—county treasurer shall pay over all such fines, etc., to state treasurer.

Section added.

Wardens may serve all processes.

of the state, to be added to the fund for the propagation and protection of inland fish and the protection of the inland game.'

Sect. 7. Section twenty-six of chapter thirty of the revised statutes, as amended by section one of chapter one hundred and sixty-seven of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, is hereby amended by adding thereto the following words, 'and the said county treasurer shall, on the first day of June and the first day of December of each year, transmit such fines and costs, after deducting the costs and pay for prisoners' board boarded in the jail in his said county for any violation of the inland fish and game laws, to the treasurer of the state; and said sums of money thus received by the state treasurer shall be and become a part of the fund for inland fish and game,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 26. All fines, penalties and costs collected on complaints or indictments for the violation of any fish or game law shall be paid to the court rendering final judgment thereon, and by such court to the treasurer of the county in which said court is held; and all fines and penalties recovered in actions of debt for the violation of any such law, shall be paid forthwith to such treasurer. In all actions of debt therefor in any court, if the plaintiff prevails, he shall recover full costs without regard to the amount recovered. Any officer or other person who shall receive any fine or penalty, or any part thereof, for the violation of any fish or game law, either on complaint or indictment as aforesaid, or if by action of debt, and neglects for more than sixty days to pay the same into such county treasury, shall be punished by a fine of not less than forty nor more than one hundred dollars for the first offense, and for every subsequent offense, by such fine and imprisonment not exceeding six months; and the said county treasurer shall on the first day of June and the first day of December of each year, transmit such fines and costs, after deducting the costs and pay for any prisoners' board boarded in the jail in his said county for any violation of the inland fish and game laws, to the treasurer of the state; and said sums of money thus received by the state treasurer shall be and become a part of the fund for inland fish and game.'

Sect. 8. Chapter thirty of the revised statutes is hereby further amended by adding thereto the following section:

'Sect. 29. Inland fish and game wardens may serve all processes pertaining to the collection of penalties for violation of

the inland fish and game laws; fish wardens may be appointed inland fish and game wardens and need not give additional bond.'

Sect. 9. Chapter thirty of the revised statutes is hereby further amended by adding thereto the following section:

'Sect. 30. Whoever lawfully kills a bull moose shall, while the same is being transported, or any part thereof, preserve and transport it, with the evidence on the moose of the sex of the same. Whoever fails to comply with the provisions of this section shall forfeit the moose, or part thereof being transported, to the state, and pay a fine of three hundred dollars and costs of prosecution.'

Section added.

When bull moose is being transported, evidence of sex shall be on same.

—penalty for failing to comply.

Sect. 10. Chapter thirty of the revised statutes is hereby further amended by adding thereto the following section:

'Sect. 31. Any market man or provision dealer, having an established place of business in this state, may purchase and have in his possession at his said place of business not more than three deer, lawfully killed or destroyed, or any part thereof, at one time, and sell the same at retail to his local customers, provided, however, that said market man or provision dealer, shall have procured a license of the commissioners of inland fisheries and game to carry on said business of buying and selling deer as aforesaid; and provided further, that said market man shall record in a book kept for that purpose, and open to the inspection of inland fish and game wardens and the commissioners of inland fisheries and game, the name and residence of each person of whom he purchases any inland fish or game, and the date of such purchase; and if any market man or provision dealer shall violate the provisions of this section he shall be fined five hundred dollars for each offense, and be prohibited for five years thereafter from the benefits of this section.'

Section added.

Market men may have in possession three deer and sell the same after procuring license of commissioner.

—shall keep record of the name and residence of each person of whom he purchased fish or game.

—penalty for violation.

Sect. 11. Chapter thirty of the revised statutes is hereby further amended by adding thereto the following section:

'Sect. 32. Any person may, at any time, lawfully kill any dog found hunting or chasing a moose or a caribou or a deer, or kept or used for that purpose. Any person owning or having in his possession any dog for the purpose of hunting or chasing moose, caribou or deer, or permits his dog to hunt or chase a moose, caribou or deer, shall be punished by a fine of one hundred dollars and costs for each offense.'

Section added.

Lawful to kill any dog chasing moose, deer or caribou.

—keeping dogs to hunt moose, etc., unlawful.

—penalty.

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Section  
added.

Having in  
possession  
unlawful  
imple-  
ments for  
fishing, evi-  
dence of in-  
tent to use  
unlawful-  
ly.

—penalty.

Section  
added.

Unlawful  
to use  
metal  
patched  
bullet.

—excep-  
tions.

Section  
added.

Transpor-  
tation of  
moose, deer  
and caribou  
out of the  
state, for-  
bidden.

—penalty.

—buying,  
for pur-  
poses of  
transpor-  
tation, for-  
bidden un-  
der same  
penalty.

Section 47,  
chapter 40,  
R. S.,  
amended.

Close time,  
landlocked  
salmon,  
trout, togue  
and perch.

Sect. 12. Chapter thirty of the revised statutes is hereby further amended by adding thereto the following section:

‘Sect. 33. Having in possession any jack light, so called, spear, trawl or net other than a dip net, in any camp, lodge or place or resort for hunters or fishermen in the inland territory of the state, shall be prima facie evidence that the same are kept for unlawful use, and they may be seized by any officer authorized to enforce the inland fish and game laws, and whoever is convicted of having any of the above named implements in his possession unlawfully as aforesaid, shall be fined fifty dollars and costs of prosecution.’

Sect. 13. Chapter thirty of the revised statutes is hereby further amended by adding thereto the following section:

‘Sect. 34. It shall be unlawful to use in hunting for or shooting any moose, caribou or deer, any metal patched or metal cased bullet under a penalty of fifty dollars for each offense. The expansive, or mushroom bullet, so called, is hereby excepted from the provisions of this section.’

Sect. 14. Chapter thirty of the revised statutes is hereby further amended by adding thereto the following section:

‘Sect. 35. No resident of this state shall sell, or give away, any moose, or part thereof, or any deer, or part thereof, or any caribou, or part thereof, to be transported or carried beyond the limits of this state, under a penalty of one hundred dollars for each and every moose, deer or caribou, or part thereof, so sold or given away; and any person who shall buy any of the aforesaid named animals, or part thereof, to so transport them, or who shall transport them after buying the same, or receiving the same as a gift, shall be subject to the same penalties.’

Sect. 15. Section forty-seven of chapter forty of the revised statutes, is hereby amended by striking out the words “black bass” and “Oswego bass” in the second and seventh lines, and all after the word “first” in the eighth line, and adding the words, ‘day of October and the fifteenth day of the following June,’ so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

‘Sect. 47. There shall be an annual close time for landlocked salmon, commonly so called, trout, togue and white perch, as follows: For landlocked salmon, trout, togue and white perch, between the first days of October and the following May, except on the Saint Croix river and its tributaries, and all the waters in Kennebec county, in which the close time

is between the fifteenth day of September and the first day of the following May.' CHAP. 305

Sect. 16. Section forty-eight of chapter forty of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter fifty-three of the public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 48,  
as amended.

'Sect. 48. No person shall take, catch or fish for, in any manner, any land-locked salmon, trout, togue or white perch, in any of the waters aforesaid, between the first day of October and the first day of the following May, nor in the Saint Croix river and its tributaries, between the fifteenth day of September and the first day of the following May, under a penalty of not less than ten nor more than thirty dollars, and a further fine of one dollar for each fish thus caught, taken or killed; provided, however, that during February, March and April, citizens of the state may fish for and take land-locked salmon, trout, togue and white perch and convey the same to their own homes, but not otherwise.'

Penalties  
for taking  
fish in close  
time.

—except-  
tions.

Sect. 17. Section forty-nine of chapter forty of the revised statutes is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 49,  
amended.

'Sect. 49. No person shall sell, expose for sale, or have in possession with intent to sell, or transport from place to place, any land-locked salmon, trout, togue or white perch between the first day of October and the first day of the following May, under a penalty of not less than ten nor more than fifty dollars for each offense.'

Penalty for  
selling, etc.,  
salmon,  
trout, togue  
and perch  
during  
close time.

Sect. 18. Section fifty of chapter forty of the revised statutes is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 50,  
amended.

'Sect. 50. Any person having in possession, except alive, any land-locked salmon, trout, togue or white perch, between the first day of October and the first day of the following May, or who transports from place to place within the state, any land-locked salmon, trout, togue or white perch, between the first day of October and the first day of the following May, shall be deemed to have killed, caught, or transported the same contrary to law, and be liable to the penalties aforesaid.'

Persons  
having in  
possession  
or trans-  
porting sal-  
mon and  
fish named,  
deemed  
guilty of  
violating  
law.

Sect. 19. Section fifty-one of chapter forty of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter nine of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 51,  
chapter 40,  
R. S.,  
amended by  
chapter 9,  
laws, 1895,  
further  
amended.

'Sect. 51. Whoever fishes for, takes, catches, kills or destroys any fish, with fish spawn, grapnel, spear, trawl, weir,

Taking fish  
with grap-  
nel, spear,  
trawl, weir,

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seine, trap  
and similar  
devices,  
prohibited.

—penalty.

—pro-  
hibited im-  
plements  
forfeited  
and may be  
destroyed.

Section 54,  
R. S.,  
as amended  
chapter 31,  
laws, 1896,  
amended.

Having in  
possession  
or trans-  
porting of  
more than  
25 pounds  
at one time,  
prohibited.

—shall be  
trans-  
ported in  
possession  
of owner  
and labeled.

—penalty.

—having  
more than  
25 pounds  
in all,  
deemed vio-  
lation.

—proviso.

Section  
added.

Commis-  
sioners may  
adopt rules  
to protect  
spawning  
beds, etc.

seine, trap or set lines, except when fishing on the ice, and then with not more than five set lines in the day time, except in tide waters where such methods are not prohibited, or with any device or in any other way than by the ordinary mode of angling with single baited hooks and lines, or with artificial flies, artificial minnows, artificial insects, or spoon hook, so called, forfeits twenty-five dollars for the offense, and ten dollars for each salmon or land-locked salmon, and one dollar for each and every other fish so taken, caught, killed or destroyed; and when such prohibited implements or devices are found in use or possession they are forfeit and contraband, and may person finding them in use may destroy them. Provided, it shall be lawful to fish for and take cusk in the night time, with five set lines.'

Sect. 20. Section fifty-four of chapter forty of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter thirty-one of the public laws of one thousand eight hundred ninety-five, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

'Sect. 54. No person shall take, catch, kill or have in possession at any one time more than twenty-five pounds of land-locked salmon, trout or white perch, in all, nor shall any such be transported, except in the possession of the owner thereof, plainly labeled with the owner's name and residence thereon, under a penalty of fifty dollars for each offense, and five dollars for every pound of land-locked salmon, trout or white perch so taken, caught, killed or had in possession, or being transported, in excess of twenty-five pounds, and all such fish transported in violation of this section may be seized, and shall be forfeited to the prosecutor. Whoever has in his possession more than twenty-five pounds, in all, of such fish, shall be deemed to have taken them in violation of this section. Provided, however, that the taking of one fish additional when having less than twenty-five pounds shall not be regarded as a violation of the law.'

Sect. 21. Chapter forty of the revised statutes is hereby further amended by adding thereto the following section:

'Sect. 83. The commissioners of inland fisheries and game, upon petition of ten or more tax payers, residents in the locality may adopt such needful rules and regulations, not contrary to the general laws of the state, as may be necessary to prevent the interference with, or the destruction of the spawning beds, feeding troughs, or artificial ponds of land-locked salmon or



trout; and notice of the hearing on such petition, and the adoption of any such rules and regulations shall be given as provided in section seventy-six, chapter forty. The penalty for the willful violation of any of such rules and regulations shall be fifty dollars for each offense.'

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—penalty  
for viola-  
tion.

Approved March 26, 1897.

### Chapter 306.

An Act to amend Chapter sixty-five of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, entitled "An Act in relation to State Taxes on organized plantations taxed by the state as Wild Lands."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section one of chapter sixty-five of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five is hereby amended by adding the words 'in the month of April in each year,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 1,  
chapter 65,  
public laws,  
1895,  
amended.

'Sect. 1. Warrants for state taxes on organized plantations taxed by the state as wild lands, shall be sent by the state treasurer to the county commissioners of the county in which such plantations are, in the month of April in each year.'

Warrants  
for state  
taxes shall  
be sent to  
county  
commis-  
sioners, in  
month of  
April.

Sect. 2. Section two of said chapter is hereby amended by striking out the words "stating the amount of such state tax on each owner in a separate column" at the end of said section, and adding the words 'including such overlay, not exceeding five per cent thereof, as a fractional division renders convenient. The assessors of such plantations in April of each year shall furnish the county commissioners of their county a true and attested copy of the tax list and valuation made by them on the first day of said April, and the county commissioners may adopt such list and valuation as their own, making such changes therein as they think best,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 2,  
amended.

'Sect. 2. The county commissioners shall add the amount thereof to their assessment for county taxes and assess the same on the real and personal property in such plantation to the owner, or person in possession, in accordance with their valuation thereof, including such overlay, not exceeding five per cent thereof, as a fractional division renders convenient. The assessors of such plantations in April of each year shall

Shall add  
amount to  
assess-  
ment for  
county  
taxes, and  
assess same  
on property  
of owner.

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~~—assessors~~  
shall fur-  
nish county  
clerks,  
commis-  
sioners,  
copy of tax  
list and  
valuation.

Section 3,  
amended.

Shall ap-  
point col-  
lector in  
July, and  
commit  
taxes for  
collection.

Section 5,  
amended.

Collector  
shall settle  
make re-  
turn to  
commis-  
sioners by  
the 10th  
day of Dec.

—clerk of  
courts shall  
keep ac-  
count of  
amounts  
received  
or unpaid.

If owner  
fails to  
pay assess-  
ment for  
roads with-  
in time  
limited,  
how same  
shall be  
collected.

furnish the county commissioners of their county a true and attested copy of the tax list and valuation made by them on the first day of said April, and the county commissioners may adopt such list and valuation as their own, making such changes therein as they think best.'

Sect. 3. Section three of said chapter is hereby amended by adding at the beginning of said section the words 'in July of each year;' by changing the word "July" in the fifth line to the word 'December;' and by striking out in the last clause the words "the same" and adding the words 'the amount of state taxes received by him,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 3. In July of each year they shall commit the same with a warrant in the usual form to some inhabitant of the plantation, or in their discretion to any other person, appointing him collector and directing him to collect and transmit the same to the county treasurer by December first, next after the date of commitment. The county treasurer shall forthwith transmit to the state treasurer the amount of state taxes received by him.'

Sect. 4. Section five of said chapter is hereby amended by changing the word "first" in the second line to the word 'tenth;' and by changing the word "July" in the fifth line to the word 'December;' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 5. He shall settle with the commissioners by the tenth day of December in each year, and return to them his collection list, showing the amounts received or unpaid on each tax in his list. On all such taxes then unpaid, interest shall be added from the first day of December preceding at twenty per cent until paid. The clerk of courts shall record in a book kept for that purpose such returned collector's list with the collector's return thereon showing the amounts received or unpaid on each tax in the list, which record shall be evidence of the facts therein stated.'

Sect. 5. If any owner of property in organized plantations assessed by the state as wild lands, fails to pay the sum assessed on him for the expense of making and opening new roads, or his assessment for repairing roads, within the time limited therefor, the county commissioners in their next assessment of state and county taxes in such plantation shall place in distinct columns, the amounts due from such owners, to be collected

as other state and county taxes and paid to the county treasurer; and he shall hold the same, subject to the order of the county commissioners, to be applied by them for the repair of highways. Section eighty-two of chapter six of the revised statutes shall not apply to road taxes in such plantations.

Sect. 6. This act shall take effect when approved.

Section 82, R. S., shall not apply to road taxes.

Approved March 26, 1897.

### Chapter 307.

An Act to amend Section one of Chapter twenty-two of the Revised Statutes, relating to Division Fences.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section one of chapter twenty-two of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding at the end of said section the following words, 'and no division fence hereafter built within thirty rods of any dwelling house in the construction of which barbed wire is used, shall be accounted legal and sufficient, except by mutual written consent of the adjoining owners,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 1, chapter 22, R. S., amended.

'Sect. 1. All fences four feet high and in good repair, consisting of rails, timber, stone walls, iron or wire, and brooks, rivers, ponds, creeks, ditches and hedges, or other things which in the judgment of the fence viewers having jurisdiction thereof are equivalent thereto, are legal and sufficient fences; provided, however, that no barbed wire fence built since April fifteen, eighteen hundred and eighty-three, shall be accounted legal and sufficient, unless it is protected by an upper rail or board of wood, and no division fence hereafter built within thirty rods of any dwelling house in the construction of which barbed wire is used, shall be accounted legal and sufficient, except by mutual written consent of the adjoining owners.'

What are legal fences.

—proviso.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 26, 1897.

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**Chapter 308.**

An Act to amend Section one hundred and twelve of Chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter thirty-seven of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, and by Chapter one hundred and twenty-one of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to Normal Schools and the Madawaska Training School.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 112, chapter 11, R. S., as amended by chapter 37, laws, 1891, and by chapter 121, laws, 1896, further amended.

Appropriation for normal and training schools.

Sect. 1. Section one hundred twelve of chapter eleven of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter thirty-seven of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, and by chapter one hundred and twenty-one of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, is hereby amended by inserting in place of the words "twenty-seven," in the second line thereof, the words 'thirty-one,' so that said section shall read as follows:

'Sect. 112. For the support of the three normal schools and the Madawaska Training School, thirty-one thousand dollars is annually appropriated, to be expended under the direction of said trustees, which sum the treasurer of state shall deduct for said purpose from any school money raised for the support of common schools. The governor and council may from time to time, as they think proper, draw warrants therefor on said treasurer in favor of said trustees.'

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 26, 1897.

**Chapter 309.**

An Act to prevent the reproduction of prize fights by Photographs.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Penalty for exhibiting photographic reproduction of a prize fight.

Any person exhibiting publicly any photographic or other reproduction of a prize fight shall be punished by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars.

Approved March 26, 1897.

**Chapter 310.**

An Act in relation to Political Caucuses in cities.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The city committees of any political party are hereby authorized to fix the time and place of and call all ward and general caucuses of their respective parties; provided, however, that such call shall be by public notice posted in conspicuous places in each ward of the city where such caucus is to be held, at least six days before the time of holding such caucus.

Political  
caucuses in  
cities,  
how called.

—notice,  
how given.

Sect. 2. The board of registration in cities shall, at the request of said committees in their respective cities, furnish them with a certified copy of the correct lists of voters, by wards, used in their said cities at the election next preceding any caucus called under the provisions of this act, the expense of furnishing such copy to be paid as other expenses of boards of registration are now paid.

Commit-  
tees shall  
be fur-  
nished with  
lists of  
voters by  
board of  
registra-  
tion.

—expense,  
how paid.

Sect. 3. Whenever fifty or more voters of the same political party shall, in writing, request the city committee of the party to which they belong to use said voting lists as check lists in any caucus of their party called, or about to be called, then said voting lists shall be so used to determine the right to vote of any person claiming that right, and no person shall vote in the caucus in which such voting lists are used as check lists, unless his name shall appear upon said lists; but said voting lists may be used as check lists in caucuses when no such request of fifty voters has been made; provided, however, that no person shall be deprived of the right to vote in a caucus of his own party who shall have gained the right to vote in the election then next ensuing, by having reached the age of majority, or by having gained the right to vote in such election by residence subsequent to the time when the lists of voters referred to in section two of this act shall have been made.

Check list  
shall be  
used in  
caucus  
upon re-  
quest of  
fifty voters.

—who may  
vote in  
caucus.

Sect. 4. No person shall vote in any caucus called by a committee of a party of which he is not a member. Whoever shall violate the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be subject to a penalty of not less than five nor more than fifty dollars, to be

No person  
shall vote,  
in caucus  
held by a  
party of  
which he is  
not a mem-  
ber.

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—penalty.

Committee may designate in call, when polls shall open and close.

recovered as other fines and penalties for misdemeanors are now recovered.

Sect. 5. In any call for a caucus as provided for by this act, the committee calling the same may designate, in the call, the time when the polls for receiving votes shall be open and, allowing in all cases, a reasonable length of time for said polls to remain open, may further designate in such call the time when said polls shall be closed, and the time of closing said polls, when so designated, shall not by any vote of those taking part in such caucus be made earlier than the time designated in the call, but the time of closing said polls may be extended a reasonable time by vote of the legal voters present when such vote is taken.

How act shall apply.

Sect. 6. This act shall not apply to cities of more than twenty-five thousand inhabitants.

Approved March 26, 1897.

## Chapter 311.

An Act to prevent the use of Diseased Meat for food purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Duty of all persons charged with the killing of diseased, domestic animals to treat carcass by injection with kerosene oil.

Sect. 1. It shall be the duty of the cattle commissioners and of all other persons having in charge the killing of any diseased cattle, sheep or any other diseased domestic animals, as soon as such animal is killed to inject, or cause to be injected into the carotid artery of each animal so killed, kerosene oil in sufficient quantity to thoroughly penetrate and permeate the entire fleshy part of the carcass of each such animal killed as aforesaid.

Such carcasses shall be buried or made into fertilizers.

Sect. 2. Every carcass treated as provided in section one of this act, shall, within twenty-four hours thereafter be buried to a depth of at least four feet, or within forty-eight hours thereafter be reduced by the process of manufacturing the same for fertilizers.

Punishment of violation.

Sect. 3. Any person violating any of the provisions of this act shall be fined not exceeding one hundred dollars for each offense or imprisoned for a period not exceeding ninety days, or both.

Approved March 26, 1897.

**Chapter 312.**

An Act to change the time of holding the October and January terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in the county of Washington.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The October and January terms of the supreme judicial court in the county of Washington shall hereafter annually be held on the second Tuesdays of October and January respectively, instead of the first Tuesdays thereof, as now provided by law. All writs and processes which may be made returnable to said court on the first Tuesday in October, eighteen hundred ninety-seven, shall be entered and have day in the term of said court to be held on the second Tuesday in October, eighteen hundred ninety-seven.

Time of holding Oct. and Jan. terms in Washington county, changed.

—writs and processes, when returnable.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 28, 1897.

**Chapter 313.**

An Act to regulate the sale of Agricultural Seeds.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Every lot of seeds of agricultural plants, whether in bulk or in package, containing one pound or more, and including the seeds of cereals, except sweet corn, grasses, forage plants, vegetables, and garden plants but not including those of trees, shrubs and ornamental plants, which is sold, offered or exposed for sale for seed by any person or persons in Maine, shall be accompanied by a written or printed guarantee of its percentage of purity, freedom from foreign matter; provided, that mixtures may be sold as such when the percentages of the various constituents are stated.

Every lot of seeds of agricultural plants offered for sale shall be accompanied by guarantee of percentage of purity.

Sect. 2. Dealers may base their guarantees upon tests conducted by themselves, their agents, or by the director of the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station; provided, that such tests shall be made under such conditions as the said director may prescribe.

How guarantees may be based.

Sect. 3. The results of all tests of seeds made by said director shall be published by him in the bulletins or reports of the

Results of tests made by director, shall be published.

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—director  
shall pub-  
lish stand-  
ard of  
purity.

Punish-  
ment for  
violation.

Penalty for  
wrongly  
marking  
seeds with  
intent to  
deceive.

Shall not  
apply to  
cereals sold  
for food.

Prosecu-  
tions for  
violations  
shall be by  
secretary  
of board of  
agricul-  
ture.

Inconsis-  
tent acts,  
repealed.

When act  
shall take  
effect.

experiment station, together with the names of the person or persons from whom the samples of seeds were obtained. The said director shall also publish equitable standards of purity together with such other information concerning agricultural seeds as may be of public benefit.

Sect. 4. Any person or persons who shall sell, offer or expose for sale or for distribution in this state agricultural seeds without complying with the requirements of sections one and two of this act, shall, on conviction in a court of competent jurisdiction, be fined not to exceed one hundred dollars for the first offense, and not to exceed two hundred dollars for each subsequent offense.

Sect. 5. Any person or persons who shall, with intention to deceive, wrongly mark or label any package or bag containing garden or vegetable seeds or any other agricultural seeds, not including those of trees, shrubs and ornamental plants, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction in a court of competent jurisdiction shall be fined not to exceed one hundred dollars for the first offense and not to exceed two hundred dollars for each subsequent offense.

Sect. 6. The provisions of this act shall not apply to any person or persons growing or selling cereals and other seeds for food.

Sect. 7. Whenever the director of the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station becomes cognizant of the violation of any of the provisions of this act, he shall report such violation to the secretary of the board of agriculture, and said secretary shall prosecute the party or parties thus reported.

Sect. 8. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Sect. 9. This act shall take effect September one, eighteen hundred ninety-seven.

• Approved March 26, 1897.



**Chapter 314.**

An Act for the better preservation of Highways and accommodating  
Public Travel.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in  
Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section sixty-six of chapter eighteen of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding after the words "public travel" in the fourth line thereof the following words: 'and whenever so directed by the selectmen remove all shrubbery and bushes growing within the limits of highways, not planted or cultivated therein for the purpose of profit or ornamentation, having care for the proper preservation of shade trees,' so that said section when amended shall read as follows: 'Road commissioners and highway surveyors shall go over their highway districts, or cause it to be done, in April, May, June, August, September, October and November in each year, remove the loose obstructions to the public travel, and whenever so directed by the selectmen remove all shrubbery and bushes growing within the limits of highways, not planted or cultivated therein for the purpose of profit or ornamentation, having care for the proper preservation of shade trees, and repair such defects as may occur from time to time, rendering travel dangerous, or they shall give notice of such defects to the municipal officers, under a penalty of five dollars for neglect of such duty.'

Section 66,  
chapter 18,  
R. S.,  
amended.

Duties of  
road com-  
missioners  
and survey-  
ors.

Approved March 26, 1897.

**Chapter 315.**

An Act for the promotion of Medical Education and the prevention of  
unauthorized uses of and traffic in Dead Human Bodies.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in  
Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The professors of anatomy, the professors of surgery, and the demonstrators of anatomy in the medical schools of this state, which are now or may hereafter become incorporated by act of the legislature, shall be and are hereby constituted a board for the collection, distribution, and delivery of dead human bodies hereinafter described, to and among such persons as under the provisions of this act are entitled thereto.

Board con-  
stituted for  
collection,  
distribu-  
tion and  
delivery of  
dead human  
bodies.

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—organiza-  
tion of.

—may es-  
tablish  
rules, ap-  
point and  
remove of-  
ficers, keep  
record of  
bodies re-  
ceived and  
distrib-  
uted.

—shall be  
open to in-  
spection.

Board shall  
be notified  
of deaths  
occurring  
in alms-  
houses,  
prisons, etc.

—family  
shall be  
notified.

—if body is  
not  
claimed,  
it shall be  
delivered  
to board.

—how dis-  
posed of.

—if body is  
claimed by  
member of  
family, etc.,  
notice shall  
not be re-  
quired, and  
it shall be  
surren-  
dered for  
burial.

—body of  
traveler  
not a vaga-  
bond, shall  
not be sur-  
rendered to  
board.

Board shall  
distribute  
bodies after

The professor of anatomy in the Medical School of Maine shall call a meeting of said board for organization at a time and place to be fixed by him within thirty days after the passage of this act. The said board shall have full power to establish rules and regulations for its government, and to appoint and remove officers, and shall keep full and complete minutes of its transactions, and record shall also be kept under its direction of all bodies received and distributed by said board, and of the persons to whom the same are distributed, which minutes and records shall be open at all times to the inspection of each member of said board, the attorney general and the county attorney of any county within this state.

Sect. 2. All public officers, agents, and servants of any and every county, city, town, and other municipality, and of any and every almshouse, prison, morgue, hospital, or any other public institution having charge or control over dead human bodies, provided the deceased was at least fifteen years of age, are hereby required to notify immediately the said board of distribution, or such person or persons as may from time to time be designated by said board, or its duly authorized officer or agent, whenever any such body or bodies come into his or their possession, charge, or control, and shall immediately notify any known member of the family or next of kin of the deceased, and shall, if the body is not claimed, without fee or reward, forthwith deliver such body or bodies to said board, or its duly authorized officer or agent, and permit and suffer the said board or its agents, or the physicians and surgeons from time to time designated by it or them, who comply with the provisions of this act, to take and remove any and all such bodies to be used within this state for the advancement of medical education; but no notice need be given and no such body shall be delivered, if any person, satisfying the authorities in charge of said body that he or she is a member of the family of or next of kin, or fraternal beneficiary organizations to which the deceased may belong, shall claim the body for burial, but it shall be surrendered to him or her for interment or buried at public expense and no notice shall be given and no body delivered to said board or its agents, if such deceased person was a traveler and not a vagabond, who died suddenly, or had been a resident of said town or city ten or more years.

Sect. 3. Said board or its duly authorized agent may take and receive such bodies, so delivered as aforesaid, and shall upon

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receiving them after seven days from the date of decease distribute and deliver them to or among the schools, physicians and surgeons aforesaid in the following manner. Those schools needing bodies for lectures and demonstrations shall first be supplied as fast as practicable, the number assigned to each to be based upon the number of students in actual attendance, which number shall be returned to the board at such times as it shall direct. The board of distribution may from time to time designate physicians or surgeons who shall receive said bodies, applications to be considered in the order of their receipt by said board.

seven  
days after  
receiving  
them.

—to schools  
needing  
them.

—physi-  
cians and  
surgeons.

Sect. 4. The said board may employ a carrier or carriers for the conveyance of said bodies, and the said bodies shall be well enclosed within a suitable encasement, and carefully deposited free from public observation. Said carrier shall obtain receipts by name, or, if the deceased is unknown, by a description, for each body delivered by him, which receipt shall state the source from which said body was received, and shall deposit said receipts with the secretary of said board.

Bodies shall  
be inclosed  
from pub-  
lic view and  
viewed by  
carriers.

—carriers  
shall obtain  
receipts,  
containing  
description  
of each  
body.

Sect. 5. No school, physician or surgeon shall be allowed or permitted to receive any such body or bodies until a bond shall be given to the state treasurer by such physician or surgeon, or by and in behalf of such school, to be approved by a justice of a court of record in and for the county in which such physician or surgeon resides, or in which such school is situated, which bond shall be in the penal sum of one thousand dollars, conditioned that all such bodies which the said physician or surgeon, or the said school shall receive thereafter shall be used only for the promotion of medical education within the state, and, when no longer needed for such educational purposes, shall be decently buried, which said bond shall be examined annually in the month of December, by the state treasurer, and he shall certify in writing upon each bond in his possession, his approval of the same, and in case any bond is not so approved by him, he shall immediately notify the party giving the said bond, who shall forthwith file a new bond as hereinbefore provided; and whosoever shall sell or buy such body or bodies, or in any way traffic in the same, or shall transmit or convey, or cause to procure to be transmitted or conveyed said body or bodies to any place outside of this state shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall, on conviction, be liable to a fine not exceed-

School or  
persons re-  
ceiving  
such bodies,  
shall give  
bond for  
proper dis-  
posal of  
same.

—remains  
shall be de-  
cently  
buried,  
when no  
longer  
needed.

—state  
treasurer  
shall ap-  
prove bond.

—penalty  
for traffic-  
ing in dead  
bodies out-  
side of the  
state.

**CHAP. 316** ing two hundred dollars, or to be imprisoned for a term not exceeding one year.

Expenses,  
how paid.

Sect. 6. Neither the state nor any county or municipality, nor any officer, agent or servant thereof, shall be at any expense by reason of the delivery or distribution of any such body, but all the expenses thereof, and of said board of distribution, shall be paid by those receiving the bodies, in such manner as shall be specified by said board of distribution.

Fine for  
neglect to  
discharge  
duties.

Sect. 7. Any person having duties enjoined upon him by the provisions of this act, who shall neglect, refuse, or omit to perform the same as required by the provisions of this act, shall, on conviction thereof, be liable to a fine of not less than one hundred or more than five hundred dollars for each offense.

Certain sec-  
tions of  
chapter 13,  
repealed.

Sect. 8. Sections two, three, four, five, six, seven and eight of chapter thirteen, revised statutes, are hereby repealed.

Sect. 9. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 27, 1897.

## Chapter 316.

An Act to enforce the payment of State and County Taxes on Timber and Grass on reserved lands in this state.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Timber and  
grass on re-  
served  
lands, held  
for pay-  
ment of  
county  
taxes.

Sect. 1. The timber and grass on the reserved lands in this state shall be held to the state for the payment of such state and county taxes as may hereafter be lawfully assessed against them, with interest thereon at the rate of twenty per cent per annum, to commence upon the taxes for the year in which such assessment is made, at the expiration of one year, and upon the taxes for the following year, at the expiration of two years from the date of such assessment.

—interest,  
and when it  
shall com-  
mence.

Owner may  
pay his pro-  
portion of  
tax, and  
how dis-  
charged.

Sect. 2. Each owner of timber and grass so assessed may pay the part of the tax so assessed proportioned to his interest in any tract, whether in common or not; and shall receive from the treasurer of state a certificate, discharging the tax upon the interest upon which such payment is made.

Each inter-  
est by acre-  
age shall be  
forfeited at  
annual Sep-

Sect. 3. Each fractional part, or interest represented by acreage, in all such reserved lands, upon which the state and county taxes and interest are not paid at the time of the annual

land sale in September, shall be forfeited to the state, the same as in the case of lands sold for taxes; but any owner may redeem his interest in such reserved lands by tendering to the state treasurer, within one year after the date of the land sale at which said interest was forfeited, his proportional part of all the sums due on the reserved lands in any township, together with interest at twenty per cent per annum from date of land sale, and one dollar for release.

Sect. 4. If any fractional part or interest represented by acreage in such reserved lands shall not be redeemed as provided in section three of this act, at the expiration of one year from the date of the land sale at which such interest was forfeited, then it shall be and remain wholly forfeited to the state, and shall vest in the state free from all claims by any former owner.

Sect. 5. All timber and grass forfeited under the provisions of this act, shall be held in trust by the state for the benefit of the townships in which such reserved lands lie, and shall be under the control of the state land agent, as provided in the case of reserved lands in organized plantations.

Sect. 6. It shall be the duty of the state land agent to cause a division to be made, if found necessary from time to time, of the reserved lands or public lots which have been partially forfeited, and to set off and hold the forfeited portions for the benefits of townships in which they lie, as provided in section five.

Sect. 7. After such timber and grass shall be wholly forfeited to the state, it shall be the duty of the state treasurer to charge all taxes due from such interests as are forfeited, to the several townships in which they lie, to be deducted from such moneys as may be payable to said townships in the future, from the sale of stumpage by the land agent.

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timber sale, if tax is not paid.

—any owner may redeem interest, by payment in one year, of his part of the sums due.

If land is not redeemed in one year, it shall remain forfeited to the state.

Timber and grass forfeited, shall be held for the benefit of the townships.

Land agent shall make division of lots partially forfeited, and set off portions to the townships.

Taxes due from interests forfeited, shall be deducted from money payable to the townships, from stumpage.

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## Chapter 317.

An Act to amend Section sixty of Chapter twenty-seven of the Revised Statutes, relating to Intoxicating Liquors.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 60, chapter 27, R. S., as amended by section 7, chapter 133, laws, 1891, further amended.

Sect. 1. Section sixty of chapter twenty-seven of the revised statutes, as amended by section seven of chapter one hundred and thirty-two of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, is hereby further amended by adding at the end of said section the words: 'The provisions of section five of chapter one hundred and sixteen shall not apply to the sheriff of Cumberland county and his deputies acting under the provisions of this section; but the county commissioners of the county of Cumberland may allow said sheriff and his deputies such additional compensation as seems to them advisable, in addition to the compensation given by this section,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Special duty of sheriffs, deputies and county attorneys, to enforce laws against illegal sale of intoxicating liquors, and the keeping of gambling places and houses of ill fame.

—per diem pay allowed for services.

—provisions of section 5, chapter 116, R. S., shall not apply to sheriff of Cumberland county.

'Sect. 60. Sheriffs and their deputies and county attorneys shall diligently and faithfully inquire into all violations of law, within their respective counties, and institute proceedings against violations or supposed violations of law, and particularly the law against the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors, and the keeping of drinking houses and tippling shops, gambling houses or places, and houses of ill fame, either by promptly entering a complaint before a magistrate and executing the warrants issued thereon, or by furnishing the county attorney promptly and without delay, with the names of alleged offenders, and of the witnesses. For services under this section, sheriffs, and their deputies acting under their directions, shall receive the same per diem compensation, as for attendance on the supreme judicial court, the same fees for travel as for the service of warrants in criminal cases, together with such necessary incidental expenses as are just and proper; bills for which shall be audited by the county commissioners, and paid from the country treasury. But said commissioners shall not allow any per diem compensation to said sheriffs or their deputies, for any day for which said sheriffs or their deputies are entitled to fees or compensation for attendance at or service in any court. The provisions of section five of chapter one hundred and sixteen shall not apply to the sheriff of Cumberland county and his deputies acting under the provisions of this section; but the county commis-

sioners of the county of Cumberland may allow said sheriff and his deputies such additional compensation as seems to them advisable, in addition to the compensation given by this section.'

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Sect. 2. This act shall not in any way affect, apply to, nor prejudice any pending action, nor any cause of action that has already accrued to sheriffs and their deputies for their fees under existing laws.

Act shall not apply to pending actions.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 27, 1897.

### Chapter 318.

An Act to amend Section nine of Chapter three hundred and fifteen of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to the salary of the Assistant Librarian of the Maine State Library.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section nine of chapter three hundred and fifteen of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three is hereby amended by striking out in the third line of said section, the words "five hundred dollars" and inserting in place thereof 'eight hundred dollars,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 9, chapter 315, public laws, 1893, amended.

'Sect. 9. The salary of the librarian shall be twelve hundred dollars. He shall employ one regular assistant librarian whose salary shall be eight hundred dollars, the sums stated shall be in full for all services rendered in connection with the library.'

Salary of librarian and assistant, established.

Approved March 27, 1897.

### Chapter 319.

An Act amendatory and additional to Chapter forty-seven of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter sixty-one of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, and to Chapter two hundred and seventy-four of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to Loan and Building Associations.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section one hundred and thirty-nine of chapter sixty-one of the public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, is hereby amended by striking out all of said section and inserting the following:

Section 139, chapter 61, public laws, 1887, amended.

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Directors  
shall invest  
funds.

—loans to  
members,  
how ef-  
fected.

—balances  
remaining  
unloaned,  
how in-  
vested.

Section 147,  
amended.

Accounts,  
how kept  
and busi-  
ness, how  
trans-  
acted.

'Sect. 139. The board of directors shall see to the proper investment of the funds of the association, as provided in this section. After due allowance for all necessary and proper expenses, and for the withdrawal of shares, the moneys of the association shall be loaned to the members at a rate of monthly premium to be fixed by the directors, which shall in no case exceed forty cents per share. Any member may, upon giving security satisfactory to the directors, receive a loan of two hundred dollars for each share held by him, or such fractional part of two hundred dollars as the by-laws may allow. Any association may provide in its by-laws that instead of the interest and premium, a stated rate of annual interest not to exceed eight per cent, may be charged upon the sum desired, payable in monthly installments. Such rate shall include the whole interest and premium to be paid upon the loan. Any balance remaining unloaned to members may be invested in such securities as are legal for the investment of deposits in savings banks. No loan shall be made on the gross premium plan.

Sect. 2. Section one hundred forty-seven of chapter sixty-one of the public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, is hereby amended by striking out all of said section and inserting the following:

'Sect. 147. The general accounts of every such association shall be kept by double entry. The secretary shall at least once each month make and declare a trial balance, which shall be recorded in a book provided for that purpose, and it shall at all times be open to the inspection of the directors and shareholders of the association. All moneys received from the members shall be receipted for by persons designated by the directors in a pass book provided by the association for the use of and to be held by the member, and said pass book shall be plainly marked with the name and residence of the holder thereof, the number of shares held by him and the number or designation of the series or issue to which said shares respectively belong and the date of the issue of such series. All moneys so received shall be originally entered by the proper officer in a book to be called the cash book, and the entries therein shall be so made as to show the name of the payer, the number of the shares, the number or designation of the series, or issues of the particular share, or shares so entered, together with the amount of dues, interest, premiums and fines paid thereon, as the case may be. Each payment shall be class-



ified and entered in a column devoted to its kind. Said cash book shall be closed on the last day of the month in which each stated meeting is held, and shall be an exhibit of the receipt of all moneys paid by shareholders during said month. All payments made by the association for any purpose whatsoever, shall be by order, check or draft, signed by the president and secretary, and indorsed by the persons in whose favor the same are drawn. The name of the payee, the amount paid, and the purpose, object or thing for which the payment is made, together with its date, shall be entered on the margin of said order, check or draft. The treasurer shall dispose of and secure the safe keeping of all moneys, security and property of the corporation, in the manner designated by its by-laws.'

—duty of treasurer.

Sect. 3. Section one hundred and forty-eight of chapter sixty-one of the public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, is hereby amended by striking out in the eleventh line of said section, the word "one" and inserting the word 'three,' and by striking out in the same line the word "five" and inserting the word 'ten,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 148, amended.

'Sect. 148. The profits and losses may be distributed annually, semi-annually or quarterly, to the shares then existing, but shall be distributed at least once in each year, and whenever a new series of shares is to be issued. Profits and losses shall be distributed to the various shares existing at the time of such distribution, in proportion to their value at that time, and shall be computed upon the basis of a single share, fully paid to the date of distribution. Losses shall be apportioned immediately after their occurrence. At each periodical distribution of profits, the directors shall reserve as a guaranty fund a sum not less than three nor more than ten per cent of the net profits accruing since the next preceding adjustment, until such fund amounts to five per cent of the dues capital, which fund shall thereafter be maintained and held, and said fund shall be at all times available to meet losses in the business of the association from depreciation in its securities or otherwise.'

Profits and losses, when and how distributed.

—guaranty fund.

- Sect. 4. Section one hundred and fifty-one of chapter sixty-one of the public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, is hereby amended by striking out all of said section and inserting the following:

Section 151, amended.

'Sect. 151. The bank examiner shall perform, in reference to all loan and building associations, the same duties and shall

Shall be subject to examination.

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tion by  
bank ex-  
aminer.

—report an-  
nually.

have the same powers as are required of him or given to him in reference to savings banks; and shall, annually, by the first day of December, make a report to the governor and council of the general conduct and condition of each of the associations visited by him, making such suggestions as he deems expedient and that the public interest require. The officers of such associations shall answer truly all inquiries made, and shall make all returns required by the bank examiner.'

Section 152,  
added.

Sect. 5. Chapter sixty-one of the public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, is hereby further amended by adding thereto the following sections:

Secretary  
and treas-  
urer shall  
give bonds.

'Sect. 152. The secretary, treasurer, and other persons holding positions of trust in loan and building associations shall give bonds to the corporation for the faithful discharge of the duties of their offices in such sums as the directors decide to be necessary for the safety of the funds, and such bonds shall continue to be valid from year to year so long as they are elected and hold said offices, subject to renewal whenever ordered by the bank examiner, or directors. The directors may, in lieu of said bond, insure at the expense of the association with some fidelity or guaranty company which shall be satisfactory to the examiner, for the faithful discharge of the duties of the secretary and treasurer and such other clerks as may be employed, in such sums as they may decide to be necessary for the safety of the funds in the custody of the corporation. The examiner shall annually examine the bonds given, as aforesaid, and inquire into and certify to the sufficiency thereof, and when he deems any such bond insufficient he shall order a new bond to be given, within a time by him specified.'

—bonds  
shall be  
valid from  
year to  
year, sub-  
ject to re-  
newal when  
ordered.

—may in-  
sure with  
some guar-  
anty com-  
pany, in  
lieu of  
bond.

—bonds  
shall be ex-  
amined an-  
nually.

Section 153,  
added.

—shall in-  
sure all real  
estate.

'Sect. 153. Directors shall cause all real estate of an insurable character held by them absolutely or in mortgage, to be fully insured against loss by fire or lightning and the expense of such insurance in case of mortgage shall be added to the amount of the mortgage debt, to be refunded in case of payment or redemption.'

Chapter 274,  
laws, 1893,  
amended.

Sect. 6. Chapter two hundred and seventy-four of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, entitled "An Act for the taxation of the loan and building associations," is hereby amended by striking out the word "Saturdays" in the second line of the first section thereof and inserting the words 'secular days,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

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'Sect. 1. Every loan and building association doing business in this state shall semi-annually on the last secular days of April and October make a return signed and sworn to by its secretary of its monthly capital dues paid in by its shareholders during the six months preceding each of said days, exclusive of withdrawals, fines, interest and premiums. Said return shall be made to the treasurer of state on or before the second Mondays of May and November, and for willfully making a false return, the secretary forfeits not less than five hundred nor more than five thousand dollars. The treasurer of such association shall pay to the treasurer of state a tax on account of such dues, of one-fourth of one per cent a year on the amount so returned.'

Required to make semi-annual returns.

—when.

—penalty for making false returns.

—taxation of.

Approved March 27, 1907.

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An Act relating to Fraternal Beneficiary Organizations.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. A fraternal beneficiary association is hereby declared to be a corporation, society or voluntary association, formed or organized and carried on for the sole benefit of its members and their beneficiaries, and not for profit. Each association shall have a lodge system, with ritualistic form of work and representative form of government, and shall make provision for the payment of benefits in case of death, and may make provision for the payment of benefits in case of sickness, temporary or permanent physical disability, either as the result of disease, accident or old age, provided the period in life at which payment of physical disability benefits on account of old age commences, shall not be under seventy years, subject to their compliance with its constitution and laws. The fund from which the payment of such benefits shall be made, and the fund from which the expenses of such association shall be defrayed shall be derived from assessments or dues collected from its members. Payments of death benefits shall be to the families, heirs, blood relatives, affianced husband or affianced wife of, or to persons dependent upon the member. Such associations shall be governed by this act and shall be

Fraternal beneficiary association defined, and how carried on.

—shall have lodge system and make provision for death benefits, etc.

—funds shall be derived from assessments.

—benefits, to whom paid.

—exempt from provisions of insurance laws.

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—except-  
tion.

How cor-  
poration  
shall be or-  
ganized.

Officers  
shall make  
certificate  
setting  
forth pur-  
poses,  
names of  
subscrib-  
ers, etc., to  
be exam-  
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sioner for  
approval,  
and then  
filed in of-  
fice of sec-  
retary of  
state, to be  
recorded.

exempt from the provisions of insurance laws of this state, except as herein provided and no law hereafter passed shall apply to them unless they be expressly designated therein.

Sect. 2. Seven or more persons, resident of the state, desiring to form a fraternal beneficiary corporation for the purposes above provided, and having signed an agreement therefor, declaring therein the purposes of such corporation, may organize as such in the manner provided in sections one, two and three of chapter fifty-five of the revised statutes, and such corporation shall have all the powers, privileges and immunities, and be subject to all the liabilities named in said section three.

Sect. 3. The presiding officer, treasurer and a majority of the directors or other officers, shall forthwith make, sign and swear to a certificate setting forth a true copy of the agreement and declaration of the purposes of the association, with the names of the subscribers thereto, the date of the first meeting, and the successive adjournments, if any, and shall submit such certificate and the records of the corporation to the insurance commissioner, who shall make such examination and require such evidence as he deems necessary; and if it appears that the purposes of the corporation conform to law, he shall certify his approval thereof, and the certificate shall then be filed by said officers in the office of the secretary of state, who, upon payment of a fee of five dollars, shall cause the same with the indorsements, to be recorded, and shall thereupon issue a certificate in the following form:

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—form of  
certificate  
to be issued  
by secre-  
tary of  
state.

Be it known that whereas (here the names of the subscribers to the agreement of association shall be inserted), have associated themselves with the intention of forming a corporation under the name of (here the name of the corporation shall be inserted), for the purpose (here the purpose declared in the agreement of association shall be inserted), and have complied with the provisions of the statutes of this state in such case made and provided, as appears from the certificate of the officers of the corporation, duly approved by the insurance commissioner and recorded in this office; now therefore, I (here the name of the secretary shall be inserted), secretary of the state of Maine, do hereby certify that said (here the names of the subscribers to the agreement of association shall be

inserted), their associates and successors, are legally organized and established as and are hereby made an existing corporation under the name of (here the name of the corporation shall be inserted), with the powers, rights and privileges, and subject to the limitations, duties and restrictions which by law appertain thereto. Witness my official signature hereunto subscribed, and the seal of the state of Maine hereunto affixed, this.....day.....of.....in the year..... (in these blanks the day, month and year of execution of the certificate shall be inserted.) The secretary shall sign the name and cause the seal of the state to be thereto affixed, and such certificate shall be conclusive evidence of the existence of such corporation at the date of such certificate. He shall cause a record of such certificate to be made.

Sect. 4. Any such corporation may hold at any one time, as a death fund belonging to the beneficiaries of anticipated deceased members, an amount not exceeding one assessment from a general or unlimited membership, or an amount not exceeding in the aggregate, one assessment from each limited class or division of its members; provided, that nothing in this section shall be held to restrict such fund to less than twenty-five thousand dollars.

Amount of death fund that corporation may hold at one time, restricted.

—proviso.

Sect. 5. No corporation organized under the provisions of this act shall commence to do business or issue any certificate until it has presented to the insurance commissioner and received his certification that it has obtained not less than five hundred bona fide applications for membership. Nor until it has deposited with the treasurer of state at least one thousand dollars as a part of its emergency fund, which shall be held and applied in accordance with the provisions of section six of chapter two hundred thirty-seven of the public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, as amended. All such companies or associations hereafter organized or incorporated under the laws of this state shall also comply with all provisions of section six of said chapter.

Shall not do business until 500 applications have been received.

—nor until it has established emergency fund.

—how emergency fund shall be applied.

Sect. 6. No charter granted under the provisions of this act shall be valid after one year from its date unless the organization has been completed and business begun thereunder. And when any domestic corporation has discontinued business for the period of one year its charter shall become null and void.

When charter shall become invalid.

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Contracts for reinsurance must be approved by members.

Sect. 7. No such corporation shall reinsure with or transfer its membership certificates or funds to any organization, unless the said contract of transfer or reinsurance is first submitted to and approved by a two thirds vote of the members of each association or society present at meetings called to consider the same, of which meetings written or printed notice shall be mailed to each certificate holder at least thirty days before the date fixed for said meeting, nor unless the said contract of transfer or reinsurance is first submitted to and approved by the insurance commissioner.

Existing corporations may reincorporate under this act.

Sect. 8. Any fraternal beneficiary corporation existing under the laws of this state, and now engaged in transacting business as herein defined, may reincorporate under the provisions of this act; provided, that nothing in this act contained shall be construed as requiring any such corporation to reincorporate; and any such corporation may continue to exercise all the rights, powers and privileges conferred by this act, and its articles of incorporation not inconsistent herewith, and shall be subject to the requirements and penalties of this act the same as if reincorporated hereunder.

Foreign corporations doing business here may continue to, upon compliance with this act.

Sect. 9. Fraternal beneficiary corporations, associations or societies organized under the laws of another state or country, now transacting business in this state as herein defined, and which now report or which shall report when requested to the insurance department, may continue such business upon complying with the provisions of this act. Fraternal beneficiary corporations, associations or societies, not now transacting business in this state, which may hereafter desire to do so, shall first obtain license therefor from the insurance commissioner. Such a corporation, association or society shall furnish the commissioner with a certified copy of its charter and by-laws, with a statement under oath, showing its membership and financial condition, with a power of attorney, as hereinafter specified, and shall also furnish the commissioner with such other information as he shall deem necessary to a proper exhibit of its business and standing and plan of working, and if he deems it expedient, he may license such corporation, association or society to do business in this state in accordance with the provisions of this act. For such license he may receive a fee of twenty dollars.

—foreign corporations not doing business, may by procuring license.

—shall first furnish sworn statement of conditions, etc.

—fees.

Such corporations shall appoint insurance

Sect. 10. Each such association now doing or hereafter admitted to do business within this state, and not having its

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principal office within this state, and not being organized under the laws of this state, shall appoint in writing the insurance commissioner and his successors in office to be its true and lawful attorney, upon whom all lawful process in any action or proceeding against it may be served, and in such writing shall agree that any lawful process against it which is served on said attorney shall be of the same legal force and validity as if served upon the association, and that the authority shall continue in force so long as any liability remains outstanding in this state. Copies of such certificate, certified by said insurance commissioner, shall be deemed sufficient evidence thereof, and shall be admitted in evidence with the same force and effect as the original thereof might be admitted. Service upon such attorney shall be deemed sufficient service upon such association. When legal process against any such association is served upon said insurance commissioner, he shall immediately notify the association of such service by letter, prepaid and directed to its secretary or corresponding officer, and shall within two days after such service forward in the same manner a copy of the process served on him to such officer. The plaintiff in such process so served shall pay to the insurance commissioner at the time of such service a fee of two dollars, which shall be recovered by him as part of the taxable costs, if he prevails in the suit.

Sect. 11. No certificate issued by any association transacting business under this act shall be valid or legal which shall be conditional upon an agreement or understanding that the beneficiary shall pay the dues and assessments, or either of them, for said member. Any corporation authorized to transact business as defined in this act may employ paid agents in soliciting business. But no person shall act as such an agent until he has first been licensed therefor by the insurance commissioner in accordance with the provisions of section seventy-three, of chapter forty-nine of the revised statutes, and any person violating this provision shall, upon conviction, be punished as provided in said section seventy-three. For such license the commissioner shall receive two dollars.

Sect. 12. Every corporation, association or society doing business as herein defined shall annually, on or before the first day of March, report to the insurance commissioner the names and addresses of its president, secretary and treasurer, or other

commissioner, lawful attorneys, upon whom service may be made.

—copies of certificate by insurance commissioner, shall be admitted as evidence.

—when process is served, commissioner shall notify corporation.

—plaintiff shall pay fee to commissioner.

No certificate valid, if beneficiary is required to pay dues of member.

—may employ paid agents.

—agents must be licensed.

—license fee.

Corporations shall report annually to commissioner.

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officers answering thereto, and shall make such further statements of its membership and financial transactions for the year ending on the preceding thirty-first day of December, with other information relating thereto, as said commissioner may deem necessary to a proper exhibit of its business and standing; and the commissioner may at any other times require any further statement he may deem necessary to be made relating to such corporation.

Penalty  
for solicit-  
ing busi-  
ness by any  
unauthor-  
ized per-  
son.

Sect. 13. Any person who shall solicit membership for, or in any manner assist in procuring membership in any such corporation or organization doing a business not authorized by this act, or who shall solicit membership for, or in any manner assist in procuring membership in any such corporation or organization not authorized, as herein provided, to do business as herein defined, in this state, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not less than fifty nor more than two hundred dollars.

Benefits  
shall not be  
liable to at-  
tachment.

Sect. 14. The money or other benefit, charity, relief, or aid to be paid, provided or rendered by any corporation, association or society authorized to do business under this act, and as herein provided, shall not be liable to attachment by trustee, or other process, and shall not be seized, taken or appropriated, or applied by any legal or equitable process, nor by operation of law, to pay any debt or liability of a certificate holder, or any beneficiary thereof.

Punish-  
ment for  
willfully  
making  
false state-  
ments in  
applica-  
tion for  
member-  
ship on  
death or  
disability  
certifi-  
cates.

Sect. 15. Any solicitor, agent or examining physician, who shall knowingly or willfully make any false or fraudulent statement or representation in or with reference to any application for membership, or for the purpose of obtaining any money or benefit, in any corporation, association or society transacting business under this act, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction, shall be punished by a fine of not less than one hundred nor more than five hundred dollars, or by imprisonment not less than thirty days nor more than one year, or both; and any person who shall willfully make a false statement of any material fact or thing in a sworn statement as to the death or disability of a certificate holder in any such corporation, for the purpose of procuring the payment of the benefit named in the certificate of such holder, shall be guilty of perjury, and upon conviction, shall be punished accordingly.

Foreign  
corpora-  
tions not

Sect. 16. Fraternal beneficiary organizations organized or incorporated under the laws of any other state or country which



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do not operate upon the 'lodge system,' as defined in section one of this act, and which limit their membership to the members of some particular order, class or fraternity, may be admitted to transact business in this state upon complying with the provisions of chapter two hundred thirty-seven, of the public laws of eighteen hundred eighty-nine, and acts additional to and amendatory thereof, regulating the admission and conduct of assessment companies. All such corporations shall be exempt from the provisions of this act and shall comply with and be subject to all provisions of said statutes relating to assessment companies.

operating on the lodge system, may be admitted to transact business in the state.

—condition.

—act does not apply to such corporations.

Sect. 17. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to affect or apply to grand or subordinate lodges of Masons, Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias or similar orders, organized or incorporated under the laws of this state, and which do not have as their principal object the issuance of insurance certificates. Nor shall anything herein contained apply to domestic corporations or voluntary associations which limit their membership to the employes of a particular city or town, designated firm, business house or corporation; nor to domestic lodges, orders or associations of a purely religious, charitable and benevolent description which do not operate with a view to profit and which do not provide for a funeral benefit of more than one hundred dollars, or sick or disability benefits of more than one hundred and fifty dollars, to any person in any one year. Provided always, that any association which has more than three hundred members and which issues to any person a certificate providing for the payment of benefits shall not be exempt by the provisions of this section, and such associations shall comply with all requirements of this act. The insurance commissioner may require of any association such information relating to its membership and certificates as will enable him to determine whether it is exempt from the provisions of this act. And no order or association which is exempt by the provisions of this section from the requirements of this act, shall employ paid agents or give or allow to any person any compensation for procuring new members.

Act shall not apply to certain orders, and associations.

—proviso.

Sect. 18. The insurance commissioner, in person or by deputy, shall have the power of visitation and examination into the affairs of any domestic corporation subject to the provisions of this act, that are conferred upon him by the provisions of chapter forty-nine, provided that he shall not be

Insurance commissioner or deputy, shall have power of visitation.

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—when proceedings of any foreign corporations become hazardous, it shall be restrained.

required to make periodical examinations of domestic companies. Whenever the commissioner is satisfied that any foreign association is not paying the maximum amount named in its policies or certificates in full, or in such condition as to render further proceedings hazardous to the public or its policy holders, he may apply to a justice of the supreme judicial court for an injunction restraining such corporation from the further prosecution of its business. Said justice after reasonable notice and hearing upon the matter, may issue an injunction restraining the company in whole or in part from proceeding further with its business, and may make such other order and decrees as the interest of the corporation and the public may require.

When proceedings of domestic or any corporation becomes hazardous, it may be closed.

—manner of closing.

Sect. 19. Whenever after examination the commissioner is satisfied that any domestic corporation is not paying the maximum amount named in its policies or certificates in full or is in such condition as to render further proceedings hazardous to the public or its policy holders or is transacting its business fraudulently; or whenever such domestic corporation shall, after the existence of one year or more, have a membership of less than three hundred, the insurance commissioner may present the facts in relation to the same to any justice of the supreme judicial court; and said justice shall thereupon notify the officers of such corporation of a hearing and unless it shall then appear that some special and good reason exists why the corporation should not be closed, some person shall be appointed receiver of such corporation, and shall proceed at once to take possession of the books, papers, moneys, and other assets of the corporation, and shall forthwith, under the direction of the court proceed to close the affairs of such corporation and to distribute to those entitled thereto its funds. For this service the receiver may be allowed out of any funds in possession of the corporation or which may come therefrom into his hands, such sum as the court may determine to be reasonable and just. When the affairs of the corporation shall be finally closed, the court may decree a dissolution of the same.

Existing corporations may continue to do business.

Sect. 20. Fraternal beneficiary organizations, organized or incorporated under the laws of this state, which are transacting business herein upon the passage of this act, and which limit their membership to the members of some particular order, class or fraternity may continue such business by complying with the provisions of this act not inconsistent therewith.

Sect. 21. Any corporation, association or society, neglecting or refusing to comply with, or violating the provisions of this act shall be fined not less than fifty nor more than two hundred dollars, upon conviction thereof.

Sect. 22. All acts or parts of acts, inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed.

Approved March 27, 1897.

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Penalty for violating provisions of this act.

Inconsistent acts, repealed.

**Chapter 321.**

An Act to amend Section five of Chapter twenty-two of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, as amended by Chapter two hundred six of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to the filling of vacancies in the office of Truant Officers.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section five of chapter twenty-two of the public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, as amended by chapter two hundred six of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three is hereby amended by adding thereto the following words: 'Superintending school committees shall have power to fill vacancies occurring during the year,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 5, chapter 22, public laws, 1887, further amended.

'Sect. 5. The municipal officers shall fix the compensation of the truant officers elected as prescribed in section three. Superintending school committees shall have power to fill vacancies occurring during the year.'

Compensation of truant officers.—vacancies, how filled.

Approved March 27, 1897.

**Chapter 322.**

An Act relating to Suits on Promissory Notes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. In any proceeding at law or in equity in which the amount due on a promissory note given for the price of land conveyed, is in question, and a total failure of consideration would be a defense, a partial failure of consideration may be shown in reduction of damages.

In suits on notes, partial failure of consideration may be shown in reduction of damages.

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Pending ac-  
tions not  
affected.

Sect. 2. This act shall not affect pending actions, or existing causes of action.

Approved March 27, 1897.

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**Chapter 323.**

An Act to amend Section twenty-three of Chapter seventy-nine of the Revised Statutes, relating to the admission of Attorneys to the Practice of Law.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 23,  
chapter 79,  
R. S.,  
amended.

Sect. 1. Section twenty-three of chapter seventy-nine of revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting after the words "law school" in the fifth line thereof the words 'or has held the office of, and served as clerk of the supreme judicial courts in this state for the term of eight years and has studied for at least six months in the office of an attorney at law,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Qualifica-  
tions for  
admission  
to the bar.

'Sect. 23. No person who has not been a member of the bar of another state, in good standing and in active practice for at least three years, shall be admitted to practice law in the courts of the state, unless he has studied for at least two years in the office of some attorney at law, or a part of the time in such office, and the remainder in some law school, or has held the office of, and served as clerk of the supreme judicial courts in this state for the term of eight years and has studied for at least six months in the office of an attorney at law, and has also passed a satisfactory examination in his legal studies.'

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 27, 1897.

**Chapter 324.**

An Act to prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of Apothecaries.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. From and after the passage of this act, it shall not be lawful for any person, within the limits of this state to conduct the business of an apothecary, or any part thereof, except as hereinafter provided.

Business of apothecaries, regulated.

Sect. 2. The governor, with the advice and consent of the council shall appoint three suitable persons to be commissioners of pharmacy, one commissioner to be appointed as the term of each of those now holding office shall expire, to hold office for the term of three years, unless removed for cause, and until a successor is appointed and qualified. If a vacancy occurs in said commission another shall be appointed as aforesaid, to fill the unexpired term thereof. Before entering on the duties of their office, the commissioners shall be sworn to faithfully and impartially discharge the same, and a record shall be made thereof on their commission. Said commissioners shall make a report of their proceedings annually to the governor and council, who shall cause such a number of said reports to be printed as they deem necessary.

Commissioners of pharmacy, appointment of.

—tenure.

—vacancies, how filled.

—to be sworn.

—report of.

Sect. 3. Said commissioners shall examine any person who desires to carry on the business of an apothecary, and if he be found skilled in pharmacy, shall give him a certificate of that fact and that he is authorized to engage in the business of an apothecary, and such certificate must be signed by at least two commissioners. They shall register in a suitable book, to be kept in the office of the secretary of state, the name and place of residence of all to whom they issue certificates, and the date thereof. All certificates issued under the provisions of this act shall be kept constantly displayed, in a conspicuous place, in the store or shop of the persons to whom the same were issued.

Powers and duties.

Sect. 4. Every person not now registered, hereafter entering on the business of an apothecary, shall be examined by said commissioners, and shall present to them satisfactory evidence that he has been an apprentice, or employed in an apothecary store where physicians' prescriptions are compounded, at least three years; or has graduated from some regularly incorporated medical college or college of pharmacy, and is competent for the

Shall examine apothecaries entering business.

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business; and the commissioners may then grant him a certificate and registry as hereinbefore provided; but only one of the partners in a firm need be a registered druggist, provided, the partner who compounds medicines be registered.

Fees.

Sect. 5. For each examination under the provisions of this act, the commissioners shall be entitled to receive from the person examined ten dollars, except as hereinafter provided, which shall be in full for all services and expenses. In case the result of the examination is unsatisfactory, and no certificate is granted, the applicant shall have the right to another examination without charge after an interval of two months, and within twelve months after the date of his first examination.

—rejected applicant may be reexamined.

Certificates of two grades may be issued.

Sect. 6. Certificates of two grades or kinds may be issued, whereof one shall declare that the holder is skilled in pharmacy as in section four of this act, and the other kind which after the examination of the applicants therefor, may be issued to such as shall not be less than eighteen years of age and who have passed the junior year in a college of pharmacy or a college having a department of pharmacy or served two full years in an apothecary store where physicians' prescriptions are compounded, shall declare that the holder is a qualified assistant and is qualified to take charge of the business of an apothecary, during the temporary absence of the registered apothecary, and the fee for such assistant's examination shall be five dollars. A permit may also be granted upon written application to said commissioners, to storekeepers in towns or villages where there is no apothecary store, to sell the usual medicines and poisons used as home remedies and for the necessary agricultural purposes, and for such permit a fee of one dollar shall be charged payable to said commissioners; but such storekeepers shall satisfy the commissioners of their fitness to keep and sell such medicines and poisons.

—fee.

—store keepers, where is no apothecary, be permitted to sell usual home remedies, etc.

Sale of medicines, etc., and compounding prescriptions, unlawful, unless under control of registered apothecary.

Sect. 7. It shall not be lawful for any store to be kept open for the sale of medicines or poisons, or for compounding physicians' prescriptions, nor shall drugs or such medicines be exposed or displayed for sale in any such store, unless the same is placed and kept under the personal control and supervision of a registered apothecary or qualified assistant, but such store may be under the charge of a qualified assistant during the temporary absence of such registered apothecary.

Penalty for violation of this act.

Sect. 8. If any person shall hereafter engage in or be found in charge of or carrying on the business of apothecary con-

trary to the provisions of this act, he shall upon indictment and conviction be subject to a penalty of fifty dollars per month for the first offense, and one hundred dollars per month for each and every subsequent offense, whether for continuance in said business or for engaging anew therein in violation of the provisions of this act. It is hereby made the duty of the county attorney in each county, upon complaint made by any one of said commissioners, to prosecute all violations of the provisions of this act. The treasurer of each county shall pay to the treasurer of the law library association of his county for the use and benefit of the county law library, twenty per cent of all fines actually paid into the county treasury for the violation of the provisions of this act.

—how prosecuted.

—how fines shall be disposed of.

Sect. 9. The provisions of this act shall apply in the cases of women who shall hereafter enter upon and carry on the business of apothecaries.

Applicable to women, doing business as apothecaries.

Sect. 10. This act shall not apply in the case of physicians who prepare and dispense their own medicines, nor to the sale of proprietary preparations, nor to any person legally authorized to engage in the apothecary business previous to the passage of this act, nor to registered physicians who reside in towns where there is no drug store.

Not applicable to physicians.

Sect. 11. All acts and parts of acts, inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed.

Inconsistent acts, repealed.

Sect. 12. Any person may enter upon the business of an apothecary without the certificate required by the foregoing act; provided he does not personally do the duties of an apothecary, but employs a duly registered apothecary who has sole charge of compounding, putting up and dispensing medicines and drugs under the provisions of this act.

Any person may do business without certificate, if he employs registered apothecary.

Sect. 13. The word apothecary as used in this act, shall not include persons who do not compound medicines, put up prescriptions or sell poisons.

Apothecary, defined.

Sect. 14. This act shall take effect when approved.

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An Act to amend Chapter seventy of the Revised Statutes, relating to Insolvency Proceedings.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 14,  
chapter 70,  
amended.

Sect. 1. Section fourteen of chapter seventy of the revised statutes, is hereby amended by striking out the word "and," after "assistants" in the last line, and adding to said section the following words: 'required majority shall mean a majority in number of creditors, each of whose debts exceeds fifty dollars, and of creditors holding three-fourths of all the indebtedness; and commencement of proceedings shall mean the date of the filing of the petition by or against the debtor,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Applica-  
tion of cer-  
tain terms.

'Sect. 14. In this chapter the words assignee, creditor, and debtor include the plural, also; the word messenger includes his assistants; the word sheriff includes deputy sheriffs; required majority shall mean a majority in number of creditors, each of whose debts exceeds fifty dollars, and of creditors holding three-fourths of all the indebtedness; and commencement of proceedings shall mean the date of the filing of the petition by or against the debtor.'

Section 15,  
amended.

Sect. 2. Section fifteen of said chapter, is hereby amended by adding to said section the following words: 'He shall file with his petition a full schedule of all creditors, with their places of residence and the sum due to each, so far as the same is known to the debtor, together with the consideration of the indebtedness and a statement of any existing mortgage, pledge or other collateral security given to secure the same, and a full list of all his assets, with a brief description of all real estate or interest in real estate owned by him, and the place where the same is situated,' so that said section shall read as follows:

Debtor may  
petition for  
proceed-  
ings in in-  
solvency.

'Sect. 15. Any inhabitant of the state owing debts contracted while such inhabitant, may apply by petition to the judge for the county within which he resides, setting forth his inability to pay all his debts and his willingness to assign all his estate and effects not exempt by law from attachment and seizure upon execution, for the benefit of his creditors, and praying that such proceedings may be had in the premises as are provided in this chapter. He shall file with his petition a full schedule of all creditors, with their places of residence and the sum due to each,



so far as the same is known to the debtor, together with the consideration of the indebtedness and a statement of any existing mortgage, pledge, or other collateral security given to secure the same, and a full list of all his assets, with a brief description of all real estate or interest in real estate owned by him, and the place where the same is situated.'

Sect. 3. Section sixteen of said chapter, as amended by chapter two hundred thirty-six of the public laws of eighteen hundred eighty-nine, is hereby further amended, so as to read as follows:

Section 16,  
amended.

'Sect. 16. If it appears to the satisfaction of the judge that the unsecured debts due from the applicant amount to not less than three hundred dollars, he shall forthwith issue a warrant under his hand, to the sheriff of the county or either of his deputies, directing him forthwith as messenger to take possession of all the estate, real and personal, of the debtor, not exempt from attachment, and of all his deeds, books of account and papers relating to his property and estate, and safely keep the same until the election or appointment of an assignee; to publish notice in such newspaper as the warrant specifies, and give such other notice as the judge directs, to all creditors upon the schedule furnished him by the debtor, which notice shall state:

If debts  
amount to  
\$300, judge  
shall issue  
warrant.  
—sheriff  
acts as  
messenger.

—notice,  
how given,  
and what  
what it  
shall con-  
tain.

I. That a warrant has issued against the estate of the debtor.

II. That the payment of any debts, to or by said debtor, and the delivery and transfer of any property by him, are forbidden.

III. That a meeting of the creditors, to prove their debts, and, in case there are assets sufficient to authorize the same, to choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a court of insolvency at a time and place designated in the warrant, not less than ten nor more than fifty days after the issuing of the same.'

Sect. 4. Section twenty-nine of said chapter is hereby amended by adding thereto the following words: 'And any creditor who has accepted a preference contrary to the provisions of this chapter shall not be permitted to vote for assignee, nor shall his claim or vote be considered in any petition, or other proceedings, except that he shall be allowed his percentage of any dividend paid upon filing with the register a discharge of his security and proving his claim against the estate as an unsecured debt,' so that said section shall read as follows:

Section 29,  
amended.

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Property  
accepted  
under pref-  
erence, to  
be surren-  
dered.

Assignee to  
recover  
back divi-  
dend, paid  
to creditors  
whose  
claim is dis-  
allowed.

—creditor  
who has ac-  
cepted pref-  
erence,  
shall not  
take part in  
proceed-  
ings.

Section 31,  
amended.

If no as-  
sets, assign-

nee shall  
not be  
elected, un-  
less a credi-  
tor dis-  
claims un-  
der oath  
he believes  
that there  
are undis-  
closed  
assets, etc.

—how credi-  
tors may  
choose  
assignees.

'Sect. 29. A person who has accepted any preference, knowing that the debtor was insolvent or in contemplation of insolvency, shall not prove the debt on which the preference was given, nor receive any dividend thereon until he surrenders to the assignee all property, money, benefit or advantage received by him under such preference. The assignee, after demand, may recover back by action of assumpsit, from any creditor whose claim is disallowed in whole or in part, any dividend or proportional part thereof, paid to such creditor before such disallowance. And any creditor who has accepted a preference contrary to the provisions of this chapter shall not be permitted to vote for assignee, nor shall his claim or vote be considered in any petition, or other proceedings, except that he shall be allowed his percentage of any dividend paid upon filing with the register a discharge of his security and proving his claim against the estate as an unsecured debt.'

Sect. 5. Section thirty-one of said chapter, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

'Sect. 31. If there are no assets, no assignee shall be elected, unless a written motion for such election shall be filed by some creditor, which he may do at any time, and shall therein state upon oath that he has reason to believe and does believe that there are undisclosed assets, or, that the value of the assets, as stated by the debtor in his lists so furnished, are grossly undervalued, which property and interest shall be stated so far as possible by said creditor. If the assets not claimed as exempt do not exceed one hundred dollars, no assignee shall be elected, unless the judge so orders, but the debtor shall, at said first meeting, assign, convey and deliver to the register of the insolvent court all his real and personal estate, rights and credits, not exempt from attachment and seizure on execution, to be disposed of by said register as provided in section sixty-four of this chapter for the disposition of the estate of debtors whose debts do not amount to the sum of three hundred dollars. If the assets exceed the sum of one hundred dollars, or the judge so orders when the assets are one hundred dollars or less, the creditors in presence of the judge, shall choose one or more assignees of the estate of the debtor. Such choice shall be made by the greater part in number and value of the creditors present in person or by attorney who have proved their debts, and shall be made at the first meeting unless the judge otherwise orders. Such election is subject to the approval of the judge, who may appoint additional assignees or order a new election.

If no choice is made by the creditors at the time designated the judge shall appoint one or more assignees, and he may at any time, for good cause shown, remove an assignee and appoint another in his place. At this meeting the debtor shall attend and submit himself to examination.'

Sect. 6. Section thirty-eight of said chapter is hereby amended by adding thereto the following words: 'And funds remaining in his hands uncalled for when he settles his final account and the like funds in the hands of the register may be paid to the county treasurer, and to be drawn therefrom and paid to the party entitled thereto only upon the order of the judge of the insolvent court. The county treasurer's receipt, stating the amount and the case in which the same is deposited, shall be filed with the papers in the insolvent court and be allowed as a voucher by the judge,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 38,  
amended.

'Sect. 38. The assignee shall deposit in his own name, as assignee, in such bank as the judge approves, all money coming to his hands belonging to the insolvent estate, and shall account for all interest received thereon. And funds remaining in his hands uncalled for when he settles his final account and the like funds in the hands of the register, may be paid to the county treasurer, and to be drawn therefrom and paid to the party entitled thereto only upon order of the judge of the insolvent court. The county treasurer's receipt, stating the amount and the case in which the same is deposited, shall be filed with the papers in the insolvent court and be allowed as a voucher by the judge.'

Assignee  
to deposit  
money, and  
account for  
interest.

—how he  
shall dis-  
pose of  
funds un-  
called for.

Sect. 7. Section thirty-nine of said chapter is hereby amended, so as to read as follows:

Section 39,  
amended.

'Sect. 39. Whenever an assignee receives from the estate assets available to pay a dividend equal to twenty-five per cent of the debts proved, exclusive of expenses, he shall declare and pay such dividend and render an account thereof to the judge. In all cases, he shall file an account within six months from the date of his election, unless for cause shown the judge shall extend the time. No dividend already declared shall be disturbed by reason of debts being subsequently proved, but the creditors proving such debts are entitled to a dividend equal to those already received by the other creditors before any further payment is made to the latter. In all cases of contingent or disputed claims the assignee may reserve an amount equal to

Dividends,  
when de-  
clared and  
paid.

—shall file  
account  
within six  
months.

—dividends  
declared,  
shall not be  
disturbed  
by debts  
subse-  
quently  
proved.

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—proceedings, in case of contingent or disputed claims.

—dividends not to be paid, without approval of court.

—notice by register.

Section 40, amended.

What claims paid in full.

Section 43, further amended.

Oath may be taken any time before discharge.

the dividend which would be due upon such claim if finally allowed, unless otherwise ordered by the judge; if such disputed or contingent claim is finally allowed, such reserved amount shall be paid to the owner of such claim; otherwise it shall be accounted for when the final distribution of the estate is made. And for each twenty-five per cent of assets received, a like dividend shall be made. A final dividend shall be made within one year from the date of his election, unless for cause shown the judge shall extend the time, and when the same is made the assignee shall exhibit an account of the full settlement and disposal of the estate coming to his hands, and of the fees and expenses arising therefrom, which shall be examined by the judge, and if found correct, shall be by him approved, and thereupon the assignee shall be discharged from his trust. No dividend shall be paid or declared without the approval of the court, entered of record. The register shall give not less than five days' notice, to all creditors named in the schedule of debts, of all dividends about to be declared, and the same fee shall be charged as for other notices.'

Sect. 8. Section forty of said chapter is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

'Sect. 40. In making a dividend under the preceding section, the following claims shall first be paid in full in their order.

I. The debts contracted by the debtor to obtain, in whole or in part, the amount paid by him as fees to the insolvent court, and for reasonable attorneys' fees.

II. The fees, costs and expenses of suits and proceedings in insolvency.

III. All debts and taxes due to the state or to any county, city or town therein, and to the United States, except debts due to the state in behalf of the state prison.

IV. Wages due to any operative, clerk, or house servant, not exceeding fifty dollars, for labor performed within six months preceding the filing of the petition.'

Sect. 9. Section forty-three of said chapter as amended by chapter sixty-three of the public laws of eighteen hundred eighty-seven, and chapter two hundred seventeen and chapter two hundred eighteen of the public laws of eighteen hundred eighty-nine is hereby further amended so as to read as follows:

'Sect. 43. The debtor, at any time before applying for his discharge, may appear before said judge and amend and correct his schedule of creditors, and shall take and subscribe an oath before the judge, in substance as follows:

I, . . . . ., swear that the account of my creditors contained in the schedule made and signed by me is true, according to my best knowledge and belief; and I further swear that I have delivered to . . . . ., the messenger, all my estate except such as was by law exempt from attachment and seizure on execution, and all my books of account, and papers relating to said estate that were within my possession or power when the same were demanded of me by the messenger; that I have delivered to the messenger or to my assignee all such of my estate, books and papers as have since come to my possession, and will deliver any other estate, books and papers which ought to be assigned and delivered to my assignee which come to my possession or knowledge; and I further swear that no part of my estate or effects is made over, concealed or disposed of in any manner for the future benefit of myself, my family, or any other person, or to defraud my creditors. Whenever in any case the debtor fails to take said oath within six months of the commencement of proceedings, the same may be dismissed upon motion of any party interested, after such notice as the judge shall order.'

Sect. 10. Section forty-four of said chapter is hereby amended by inserting between the words "court" and "when" in the twelfth line, the following words: 'If the debtor fails to apply for a discharge, any creditor at the expense of said debtor's estate, may, at any time after six months from the commencement of proceedings, file a petition that a hearing may be had upon the question whether a discharge shall be granted to the debtor. Upon said petition, the judge shall order due notice, and may grant or refuse the same, as upon the debtor's petition', so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 44. At any time after four months from the commencement of proceedings, the debtor may apply in writing to the judge for a discharge from his debts. The judge shall order notice to be given to the creditors by mail or otherwise, to appear on a day appointed for that purpose, and show cause why such discharge should not be granted. Any creditor opposing the discharge may file a specification in writing of the grounds of his opposition, and a hearing shall be had thereon at such time as the judge appoints. If it appears to the court that the insolvent has in all things conformed to his duty under this chapter, and that he is entitled thereto, the court shall grant him a discharge from all his debts, except as hereinafter provided, and shall give him a certificate thereof under the seal of

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be dis-  
missed, if  
oath is not  
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in six  
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amended.Debtor may  
apply for  
discharge,  
after four  
months.—notice to  
creditors.—creditor  
opposing  
discharge,  
may file  
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vent has  
conformed  
to law,  
court shall  
grant dis-  
charge.

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—if debtor fails to apply for discharge, creditor may petition for hearing.

—notice.

—when judge refuses to grant discharge, appeal may be taken to supreme judicial court.

—question discharge may be tried by jury.

—exceptions.

Section 45, amended.

Second discharge, requires consent of majority of creditors.

—third, three-fourths.

—proceedings in the case of a debtor, a second or third time insolvent.

the court. If the debtor fails to apply for a discharge, any creditor, at the expense of said debtor's estate, may, at any time after six months from the commencement of proceedings, file a petition that a hearing may be had upon the question whether a discharge shall be granted to the debtor. Upon said petition, the judge shall order due notice, and may grant or refuse the same, as upon the debtor's petition. When the judge grants or refuses a discharge under the provisions aforesaid, there shall be an appeal to the supreme judicial court, next to be held within the county where the proceedings in insolvency are pending, to be taken, heard and determined in the manner provided in section twelve. The party appealing shall, at the time of entering his appeal in the supreme judicial court, file a copy of the specifications of the grounds of opposition to the discharge, certified by the register. At the request of the debtor or opposing creditor, the presiding judge shall order the question of discharge to be tried by the jury at the first or any subsequent term of said court. Exceptions may be had as to matters of law, to be heard and decided as provided by said section.'

Sect. 11. Section forty-five of said chapter is hereby amended by adding thereto the following words: 'And in the case of a debtor a second or third time insolvent, a voluntary petition by him shall not be considered or acted upon by the court, unless said debtor shall file with his petition a copy certified by the register of insolvency of his certificate and discharge under his previous proceedings, or in lieu thereof, the assent in writing of the required majority of all his known creditors. If he fails to do this, his discharge shall not be granted, or, if granted, be valid.' So that said section shall read as follows:

'Sect. 45. A discharge shall not be granted to a debtor a second time insolvent, unless the assent in writing of a majority in number and in value of his known creditors is first filed in the case, and verified by proof satisfactory to the judge. And a discharge shall not be granted to a debtor a third time insolvent, unless the assent in writing of three-fourths of all his creditors in number and in value is first filed in the case, and verified in like manner. And in the case of a debtor a second or third time insolvent, a voluntary petition by him shall not be considered or acted upon by the court, unless said debtor shall file with his petition a copy certified by the register of insolvency, of his certificate of discharge under his previous proceedings, or in lieu thereof, the assent in writing of the required majority of all

his known creditors. If he fails to do this, his discharge shall not be granted, or, if granted, be valid.' CHAP. 325

Sect. 12. Section forty-six of said chapter, as amended by chapter three hundred and twenty-six of the public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five, is hereby further amended so as to read as follows:

Section 46,  
amended.

'Sect. 46. A discharge shall not be granted, or, if granted, be valid, if the debtor has sworn falsely to any material fact, or if he has concealed any property, books or papers relating to his estate and business, or if having reasonable cause to believe himself insolvent or being in contemplation of insolvency he has within four months of the filing of the petition by or against him, paid or secured, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, any borrowed money or pre-existing debt or any liability of his or for him, unless the same was paid by him in the usual course of business, without any intent on his part to violate the provisions of this chapter, and he shall not be so entitled if he has caused his effects to be attached, or if he has destroyed, altered, mutilated or falsified any of his books, documents, papers, writings or securities, or has made or been privy to the making of any false or fraudulent entry in any book of account or other document, with intent to defraud his creditors, or to give a preference contrary to the provisions of this chapter, or has removed or allowed to be removed any property with a like intent, or has made any fraudulent payment, gift, transfer, conveyance or assignment of any part of his property, or has designedly in contemplation of insolvency contracted any debt out of the usual course of business by purchasing upon credit any goods, wares or merchandise, or if he has obtained the same on credit by any intentional false statement as to his property, earnings or ability to pay, or if he has wasted his means by gambling, or if, having knowledge that any person has proved a false debt against his estate, he has not disclosed the same to the assignee within thirty days after such knowledge, or if, being a merchant or trader whose usual and customary business is the purchasing and selling of goods, wares and merchandise, he has not kept proper books of account. And the discharge is null and void if the debtor or any person in his behalf has procured the assent of any creditor thereto, by any pecuniary consideration or promise of future preference.

Discharge  
shall not be  
granted, or  
if granted,  
is not valid,  
in case of  
fraud.

—null and  
void, if as-  
sent of  
creditor is  
purchased.

Sect. 13. Section forty-seven of said chapter, is hereby amended by adding thereto the following words: 'And no

Section 47,  
amended.

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claim for necessities furnished the debtor or to his family, within thirty days of the commencement of proceedings, is discharged by such proceedings, unless such claim shall have been proved against his estate,' so that said section forty-seven shall read as follows:

What debts  
are not dis-  
charged.

'Sect. 47. No debt created by the fraud or embezzlement of the insolvent, or by his defalcation as a public officer, or while acting in any fiduciary character, is discharged by proceedings in insolvency, but such debt may be proved and the dividend thereon shall be a payment on account of such debt. And no claim for necessities furnished the debtor, or to his family, within thirty days of the commencement of proceedings, is discharged by such proceedings, unless such claim shall have been proved against his estate.'

Section 52,  
amended.

Sect. 14. Section fifty-two of said chapter, as amended by chapter one hundred and thirty-two of the laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, is hereby further amended so as to read as follows:

Fraudu-  
lent attach-  
ment, or  
convey-  
ance of  
property, is  
void.

'Sect. 52. If any person, being insolvent or in contemplation of insolvency, within four months before the filing of the petition by or against him, with a view to give a preference to any creditor or person having a claim against him, or who is under any liability for him, procures or suffers any part of his property to be attached, sequestered or seized on execution, or makes any payment, pledge, assignment, transfer or conveyance, of any part of his property, either directly or indirectly, absolutely or conditionally, the person receiving such payments, pledge, assignment, transfer or conveyance or to be benefited thereby, or by such attachment, having reasonable cause to believe that such person is insolvent or in contemplation of insolvency, and that such payment, pledge, assignment or conveyance is made in fraud of the laws relating to insolvency, the same shall be void, and the assignee may recover the property or the value of it from the person so receiving it or so to be benefited, and if such sale, assignment, transfer or conveyance is not made in the usual course of business of the debtor, that fact is prima facie evidence that such sale, assignment, transfer or conveyance was intended as such preference, in violation of this chapter; but nothing in this chapter shall invalidate any loan of actual value or the security therefor made in good faith, upon a security taken in good faith on the occasion of making such loan. And if any person, being insolvent, or acting in con-

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templation of insolvency, within six months before the filing of the petition, by or against him, makes any payment, sale, assignment, transfer, conveyance or other disposition of his property, to any person who then has reasonable cause to believe him insolvent, or acting in contemplation of insolvency, and that such payment, sale, assignment, transfer or other conveyance, is made with a view to prevent his property from coming to his assignee, or to prevent the same from being distributed under this chapter, or to defeat the object of, or in any way impair, hinder, impede or delay the operation and effect of any of the provisions of this chapter, and such person received the same in order to assist the debtor in such purpose, the sale, assignment, transfer or conveyance, shall be void, and the assignee may recover the property or the value thereof, as assets of the insolvent. And the foregoing provisions shall apply to mortgages or other securities given to obtain money to make the deposit in the insolvent court, or to pay the attorney for future services therein. Any contract, covenant or security, made or given by an insolvent, or any other person with, or in trust for, any creditor, for securing the payment of any money as a consideration for, or with intent to induce a creditor to forbear opposing the application for discharge of the insolvent, shall be void; and if any creditor shall obtain any sum of money or other goods, chattels, or security from any person, as an inducement for forbearing to oppose or consenting to such application for discharge, every creditor so offending shall forfeit all right to any share or dividend in the estate of the insolvent, and shall also forfeit double the value or amount of such money, goods, chattels, or security so obtained, to be recovered by the assignee for the benefit of the estate.'

Sect. 15. Section sixty-four of said chapter, as amended by chapter forty-six of the public laws of eighteen hundred ninety-one and chapter two hundred forty of the public laws of eighteen hundred ninety-three, is hereby further amended so as to read as follows:

'Sect. 64. Any person whose debts do not amount to three hundred dollars, may at any time assign, convey and deliver to the register of the court of insolvency in and for the county within which he resides, all his real and personal estate, rights and credits, not exempt from attachment and seizure on execution, together with a schedule of the same, signed by such debtor, and a list of all his creditors, with their places of resi-

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Conveyances made within six months by an insolvent, to a person knowing him to be insolvent, are null and void.

—provision applies to mortgages or curties, curties given on money to make, deposit or pay altering fees.

—contract made to purchase forbearance of a creditor, void.

—penalty for forbearing, for a consideration, to oppose discharge.

Section 64, further amended.

Any person whose debts do not amount to \$300, may make assignment.

—proceedings.

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—judge shall appoint hearing for examination of debtor.

—examination shall be in writing.

—if it appears debtor has assigned and delivered all his estate, judge shall administer the oath.

—form of oath.

dence, so far as known by him, and at the same time may apply by petition to the judge of said court, setting forth his inability to pay all his debts in full, and that he has assigned, conveyed and delivered to the register of said court, all his real and personal estate, rights and credits, not exempt from attachment and seizure on execution, together with a schedule of the same, signed by him, and a list of all his creditors, with their places of residence, so far as known by him, and that he wishes to be examined as provided by this section, and to have the oath provided by this section administered to him. Thereupon the judge shall appoint a time and place for the examination of the debtor, which examination may be before the judge, or such person as he appoints to take the same, and the register shall give such notice to the creditors of the debtor of the time and place of such examination as the judge orders, and any creditor may appear at such examination and be heard, and may examine the debtor, under oath, concerning his business, property and effects, and the disposal thereof. Such examination shall be confined within such limits as the judge directs, and in no case shall it extend to any matters arising prior to the time of the contracting of the debts owed by such debtor, at the time of his examination. The examination herein provided for shall be in writing, signed by the debtor, and filed in the office of the register. If upon such hearing, it appears to the judge that the debtor has assigned, conveyed and delivered to the register all his said real and personal estate, rights and credits, not exempt from attachment and seizure on execution, together with a schedule of the same, signed by him, and that he has disclosed the names and places of residence of all creditors so far as known to him, he shall administer to the debtor the following oath: 'I, . . . . ., swear that the account of my creditors contained in the schedule, made and signed by me, is true, according to my best knowledge and belief; and I further swear, that I have delivered to . . . . ., the register of the court of insolvency, all my estate, rights and credits, except such as are exempt from attachment and seizure on execution; and I further swear that no part of my estate, rights or credits, has been made over, concealed, or disposed of in any manner, for the future benefit of myself, my family, or any other person, or to defraud my creditors.' Unless the judge has discovered, by such examination, such facts as render it inconsistent for the debtor to take such oath, or finds that any of the statements

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made by the debtor in or upon said examination are not true. When the debtor has taken and subscribed said oath, the judge shall give him a certificate thereof under his hand and the seal of the court, and thereupon he shall be thenceforth released and discharged from arrest upon mesne process or execution arising from any debt contracted prior to taking such oath, and owing to any creditor named in said schedule, and he shall not be required to submit himself to examination under provisions of chapter one hundred and thirty-seven of public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven as to any matters arising prior to the time of taking such oath. Nor shall the amount due him as wages for his personal labor for a time not exceeding one month next preceding the service of the process, and not exceeding twenty dollars, be liable to attachment on any trustee process in a suit brought against him upon any debt contracted prior to said time. This section also applies to any person arrested or committed to jail upon mesne process or execution; and such debtor shall be taken by the jailor, or officer having him in charge, before the court for the purposes herein specified. After the assignment and conveyance herein provided, the register shall dispose of said debtor's property and effects to the best advantage, depositing in his own name, as register, in such bank as the judge approves, all the money coming into his hands belonging to said estate, and keeping and rendering to the judge a strict account of its disposal, and the net proceeds thereof, after deducting the expenses of the proceedings, shall be divided by the register, pro rata, among the creditors of the debtor named in his original schedules, or schedules as amended by order of the judge, and such other creditors as shall have proved their claims before such distribution, in part satisfaction of their respective debts. The judge and register shall be allowed the same fees for their services under this section as they are allowed for similar services in other insolvency proceedings, and when any person is appointed by the judge to take the examination hereinbefore provided, the judge shall allow him a reasonable compensation therefor, and said fees and compensation shall be paid out of the debtor's assets if they are sufficient; otherwise such fees and compensation, or such part thereof as remains unsatisfied, shall be paid by the debtor before he shall be entitled to take the oath heretofore provided. And in all cases arising under this section the judge may require a reasonable sum of money to be by him

—debtor  
may then  
be dis-  
charged.

—wages not  
exceeding  
\$20, shall be  
exempt.

—this sec-  
tion ap-  
plies to per-  
sons ar-  
rested or  
committed  
to jail.

—property  
of debtor  
shall be  
sold and  
proceeds  
divided, pro  
rata, among  
the credi-  
tors.

—fees of  
judge and  
register.

—compen-  
sation of  
person,  
making ex-  
amination.

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—how payment of fees shall be secured.

Any inhabitant owing debts contracted while inhabitant of the state, may petition and make assignment.

—shall file list of creditors and assets.

—notice and hearing thereon.

—if debtors act in good faith, shall be discharged.

—fees.

Section 1, chapter 182, laws, 1889, amended.

—judge may authorize assignee to carry on business of insolvent.

specified, to be deposited with the register by the debtor at the time the assignment and petition is filed, as security for the payment of said fees and compensation. When any person is appointed by the judge to take the examination hereinbefore provided, such person has the same powers as the judge to exclude immaterial or irrelevant questions to the debtor.'

Sect. 16. Any inhabitant of the state owing debts contracted while such inhabitant, may apply by petition to the judge for the county within which he resides, setting forth his inability to pay all his debts and stating therein that by a written assignment executed by and between him and the required majority of his creditors he has assigned to some suitable person specified in said agreement, all his estate and effects not exempt by law from attachment and seizure on execution, for the benefit of his creditors, and praying that due proceedings may be had as hereinafter provided. He shall file with said petition a full schedule of his creditors and list of his assets, as specified in section fifteen of chapter seventy of the revised statutes, as amended, together with said written agreement executed by him and his said creditors. Thereupon the judge shall order notice as provided in section sixteen of said chapter so far as applicable to be given by the register to all creditors named in said schedule who have not signed the articles of agreement, and a hearing shall be had as to whether the same have been executed by the required majority and whether the allegations of said petition are true. If upon hearing it is so determined and that the same have been executed in good faith by said debtor and his said creditors, the judge may approve the same, and may require the assignee to give bond and settle his account, the same as in insolvency proceedings; and the judge shall give the debtor a discharge as in section sixty-two of said chapter, as amended, from all debts named in the debtor's said schedules. The same fees shall be taxed for these proceedings as for similar services under this chapter.

Sect. 17. Section one of chapter one hundred and eighty-two of the public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, is hereby amended by striking out all after the word "it," in the eighth line thereof, so that said section shall read as follows:

'Sect. 1. The judge of the court of insolvency having jurisdiction of the case, may, in his discretion, on sufficient cause shown, authorize the assignee of such insolvent estate to carry on the business of the insolvent, or any part thereof, under the

direction of the court, when such judge shall determine, after the notice and hearing provided in section three of this act, that the interests of the estate and of the creditors, require it.'

Sect. 18. This act shall take effect July one, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven. It shall not apply to cases where the petitions are filed prior to that date.

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When act  
shall take  
effect.

Approved March 27, 1897.

### Chapter 326.

An Act to amend Section eight of Chapter twenty-four of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter sixty of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, relating to Paupers, their settlement and support.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section eight, chapter twenty-four of the revised statutes as amended by chapter sixty of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, is hereby amended by striking out the words "their families," in the eleventh line of said section as amended, and inserting in lieu thereof the words 'his family,' and by adding after the word 'family' so inserted the following: 'The word 'family' here used shall be held to include the soldier or sailor, his wife, his unmarried minor children living with him, and dependent upon him for support, and such other unmarried children of his dependent upon him for support who by reason of mental incapacity or physical disability are unable to provide for themselves.' And in the fifteenth line of said section, as amended, after the word "proper," insert the following: 'In case of the violation of this act, the overseers of the poor shall be subject to a fine of twenty-five dollars, and for every day they allow them to remain in such poor house, after reasonable notice, they shall be subject to a further fine of five dollars per day, to be recovered by complaint or indictment,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 8,  
chapter 27,  
R. S., as  
amended by  
chapter 60,  
public laws,  
1891,  
further  
amended.

'Sect. 8. No soldier or sailor who served by enlistment in the army or navy of the United States, in the war of eighteen hundred and sixty-one, and who has received an honorable discharge from said service, and who has or may become dependent upon any town, shall be considered a pauper, or be subject to disfranchisement for that cause; but the time during

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and sailors,  
not to be  
considered  
paupers.

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—definition  
of family.

—shall not  
be sup-  
ported in  
the poor  
house.

—penalty  
for viola-  
tion.

—may be  
removed to  
town of set-  
tlement.

which said soldier or sailor is so dependent, shall not be included in the period of residence necessary to change his settlement; and overseers of the poor shall not have authority to remove to, or support in, the poor house, any such dependent soldier or sailor or his family; the word 'family' here used shall be held to include the soldier or sailor, his wife, his unmarried minor children living with him and dependent upon him for support, and such other unmarried children of his dependent upon him for support, who by reason of mental incapacity or physical disability are unable to provide for themselves; but the town of his settlement shall support them at his own home in the town of his settlement or residence, or in such suitable place other than the poor house, as the overseers of the town of his settlement may deem right and proper. In case of a violation of this act the overseers of the poor shall be subject to a fine of twenty-five dollars. And for every day they allow them to remain in such poor house, after reasonable notice, they shall be subject to a further fine of five dollars per day, to be recovered by complaint or indictment. This section shall not be so construed as to deprive overseers of the poor of any right to remove and support such dependent soldier or sailor and his family in the town of his settlement as herein provided.'

Approved March 27, 1897.

**Chapter 327.**

An Act to amend Section eighteen of Chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes of eighteen hundred eighty-three, as now amended, relating to election, qualifications and compensation of School Committees.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section, 18  
chapter 11,  
R. S., as  
amended by  
chapter 216,  
laws, 1893,  
further  
amended.

Sect. 1. Section eighteen of chapter eleven of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter two hundred sixteen of the public laws of eighteen hundred ninety-three, is hereby amended by striking out of the third line thereof the words "five or seven unless already done," so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Election of  
superin-  
tendent of  
school com-  
mittee.  
—vacan-  
cies, how  
filled.

'Sect. 18. Every town shall choose by ballot at its annual meeting, a superintending school committee of three, to hold office as provided in section eighty-six and shall fill vacancies arising therein at each subsequent annual meeting. No per-

son is ineligible to the office of superintending school committee, on account of sex.'

Sect. 2. Section eighty-six of chapter eleven of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter two hundred and sixteen of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three is hereby amended by striking out the words "if consisting of three" in the fourth line thereof and also by striking out the words "if consisting of five, one for one year, two for two years, and two for three years; if consisting of seven, two for one year, two for two years and three for three years," and at the end of the section adding the following words 'and the term of office of any member of the committee so chosen, shall expire at the next annual town meeting. No member of the superintending school committee of any town shall be employed as a teacher in any public school in said town,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 86. School committees at their first meeting shall designate by lot a member or members to hold office for one, two and three years respectively, in manner as follows; one for one year, one for two years and one for three years; and they shall certify such designation to the town clerk to be by him recorded. Said committee shall have power to fill vacancies occurring during the interim between annual meetings, and the term of office of any member of the committee so chosen shall expire at the next annual town meeting. No member of the superintending school committee of any town shall be employed as a teacher in any public school in said town.'

'Section ninety-two of chapter eleven of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter two hundred sixteen of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, is hereby amended by adding after the word "pay" in the second line thereof, the words 'unless otherwise voted by the town' and by striking out in the second line the words "by them elected," so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 92. Superintending school committees shall serve without pay, unless otherwise voted by the town, but the superintendent shall receive for his services such sum as the town shall annually vote therefor, which sum shall in no case be less than two dollars per day for every day of actual service.'

Sect. 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, except private and special laws authorizing towns, cities and incorporated districts to choose school

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bar.

Section 86,  
amended.

Superin-  
tending  
school com-  
mittees,  
when first  
chosen,  
shall ar-  
range terms  
of office.

—vacan-  
cies, how  
filled.

—no mem-  
ber shall be  
allowed to  
teach in his  
own town.

Section 92.  
amended.

Commit-  
tee shall  
serve with-  
out pay.

—compen-  
sation of  
superin-  
tendent.

Inconsis-  
tent  
acts,  
repealed.

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—excep-  
tions.

—shall not  
apply to  
certain  
cities.

When act  
shall take  
effect.

committees other than those herein provided for, but the provisions of this act shall not apply to cities whose charters specify the methods of election and term of office of its superintending school committee or board of education.

Sect. 4. This act shall take effect March first, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

Approved March 27, 1897.

### Chapter 328.

An Act to define the jurisdiction and authority of constables and city marshals in criminal matters in the county of York, amending Section fifty-four, Chapter eighty of the Revised Statutes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 54,  
chapter 80,  
R. S.,  
amended.

Sect. 1. Section fifty-four of chapter eighty of the revised statutes, is hereby amended by adding to said section the following: 'But, except for the purpose of retaking a prisoner whom he has arrested and who has escaped, or for the purpose of pursuing a person who has gone into another town, and for whose arrest such constable or marshal has a warrant, no constable of the several towns, or city marshal of the several cities, in the county of York, shall have any authority in criminal matters beyond the limits of the town or city in which he is elected or chosen,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Constables  
may serve  
certain  
warrants in  
any town in  
the county;  
officers  
may serve  
certain  
precepts in  
any county.

—commit-  
ment of  
persons.

—powers of  
constables  
and city  
marshals in  
York county,  
restricted.

'Sect. 54. A warrant issued by a municipal or police court, or a trial justice, for an offense committed in his county, or under the law for the maintenance of bastard children, may be directed to and executed by a constable of any town therein; and if the accused has gone into another county before or after the warrant was issued, a sheriff or his deputy, coroner, or constable, having the warrant, may pursue and arrest him in any county, and carry him to the county where the act complained of was committed; and when such officer arrests a person to commit him to the jail of his county, he may convey him by the most convenient and suitable route, although it pass through other counties. But, except for the purpose of retaking a prisoner whom he has arrested and who has escaped, or for the purpose of pursuing a person who has gone into another town and for whose arrest such constable or marshal has a



warrant, no constable of the several towns, or city marshal of the several cities, in the county of York, shall have any authority in criminal matters beyond the limits of the town or city in which he is elected or chosen.'

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 27, 1887.

### Chapter 329.

An Act amendatory of and additional to Chapter eighteen of the Revised Statutes, relating to the repair of Highways.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Sections sixty, sixty-three and seventy-three of the revised statutes are hereby repealed.

Section 60, 63 and 73, (chapter 18,) R. S., repealed.

Sect. 2. Section seventy of said chapter is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 70, amended.

'Sect. 70. Towns may raise money for the repair of bridges and ways, and direct the same to be assessed as other town taxes, to be expended for the purpose by a road commissioner, under the direction of the selectmen.'

Towns may raise money for bridges and ways.

Sect. 3. Section fifty-nine of said chapter is hereby amended by striking out all after the word "charges," in the second line, so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 59, amended.

'Sect. 59. Each town shall annually raise money to be expended on the town ways and highways, to be assessed as other town charges.'

Towns may raise money for ways.

Sect. 4. Each town at its annual meeting shall elect, by ballot, a road commissioner who shall have charge of the repairs of all highways and bridges within the town and shall have authority to employ the necessary men and teams, and purchase timber, plank and other material for the repair of highways and bridges. Said commissioner shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of his duty, give bonds to the satisfaction of the selectmen, and be responsible to them for the expenditure of money, and discharge of his duties generally. The compensation of said commissioner shall be such sum as the town shall annually vote therefor, which sum shall, in no case be less than two dollars per day, of every day of actual service; and he shall render to the selectmen monthly statements of his expenditures, and

Towns shall annually elect road commissioner.

—powers and duties.

—shall be sworn and bond.

—compensation.

make monthly statements.

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Offices of  
commis-  
sioner and  
selectmen,  
incompat-  
ible.

When  
money  
shall be ex-  
pended.

If town  
fails to  
elect, etc.,  
selectmen  
shall ap-  
point.

—may fill  
all vacan-  
cies.

Shall keep  
account of  
expendi-  
tures.

—shall set-  
tle same  
annually  
before Feb.  
20th.

Tenure.

Inconsis-  
tent acts,  
repealed.

When act  
shall take  
effect.

receive no money from the treasury only on the order of the selectmen.

Sect. 5. No person can, at the same time, hold the office of road commissioner and selectman.

Sect. 6. Seventy-five per cent of the highway taxes assessed shall be expended upon the highways prior to the fifteenth day of July, and the balance at such time as the commissioner deems for the best good of the public.

Sect. 7. If a town fails to elect a road commissioner at its annual meeting, or if a person elected fails to qualify before the first day of April, the office shall be deemed vacant, and shall be filled by the selectmen by appointment; and in the event of a vacancy caused by death or otherwise, the selectmen shall appoint some competent person to fill out the unexpired term, who shall qualify and perform his duties as prescribed by section four of this act.

Sect. 8. Said commissioner shall keep accurate accounts, showing in detail, all moneys paid out by him, to whom and for what purpose; he shall settle his accounts on or before the twentieth day of February, annually, and the same shall be reported in the annual town report in detail.

Sect. 9. Said commissioner shall hold his respective office for the term of one year from the date of his election, or until the election or appointment, and qualification of his successor.

Sect. 10. So much of chapter eighteen of the revised statutes and all other acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith, are herewith repealed.

Sect. 11. This act shall take effect March one, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

Approved March 27, 1897.

**Chapter 330.**

An Act to amend Chapter one hundred and thirteen of the Revised Statutes, and Chapter one hundred and thirty-seven of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, as amended by Chapter three hundred and thirteen of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to the appointment and duties of disclosure commissioners.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Chapter one hundred and thirteen, section fifty-one, of the revised statutes, is hereby repealed and the following is enacted in place thereof:

Section 51,  
chapter 113,  
R. S., re-  
pealed.

'Sect. 51. The governor shall from time to time appoint commissioners in different localities within and for each county of the state who shall have jurisdiction within the county for which they are appointed and shall perform the duties required by the fifteen following sections. Such commissioners shall be attorneys at law and shall be sworn and shall hold office for the term of seven years. They shall have an official seal which shall have engraved thereon the name of the commissioner, the words "disclosure commissioner" and the word "Maine" and the name of the county and the town or city where the commissioner resides. Each town or city of not more than five thousand inhabitants as shown by the last preceding census of the United States, shall be entitled to one such commissioner and not more than one, and for every additional five thousand inhabitants thus shown, an additional commissioner shall be allowed, provided that the total number of commissioners in any one town or city shall in no case exceed six. The office of disclosure commissioner as heretofore created under the former provisions of this section is hereby abolished, but nothing in this act shall be construed to affect the validity of executions or certificates thereon heretofore issued by such commissioners. Any commissioners appointed under this act shall have power to renew executions heretofore issued by any former commissioner within and for the same county, and executions heretofore issued by himself.'

Governor  
shall ap-  
point dis-  
closure  
commis-  
sioners.

—qualifi-  
cation and  
tenure.

—seal.

Number  
that may  
be ap-  
pointed in  
any town.

—shall not  
exceed six.

—act shall  
not affect  
validity of  
execu-  
tions here-  
tofore is-  
sued.

—former  
executions  
may be re-  
newed.

Sect. 2. The commissioners appointed under said section fifty-one of chapter one hundred and thirteen of the revised statutes, as amended by this act, shall perform the duties required by chapter one hundred and thirty-seven of the public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, and acts amendatory thereof and additional thereto.

Shall per-  
form all  
duties re-  
quired by  
chapter 137,  
laws, 1887.

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Sect. 3. Chapter one hundred and thirty-seven, section two of the public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, is hereby amended by striking out in the first line of said section the words "such a" and substituting therefor the word 'any' and by striking out the words "a judgment debtor's business affairs" and substituting therefor the words 'the business and property affairs of any judgment debtor,' and also by adding to said section the following words: 'but married women thus cited shall not be arrested except for contempt or upon capias issued to bring them before the magistrate as provided by section fourteen,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Owner of judgment may cause debtor to disclose at any time.

—married women shall not be arrested.

—exception.

'Sect. 2. The owner of any judgment remaining unsatisfied in any part may have a disclosure of the business and property affairs of any judgment debtor, at any time, by proceedings as hereinafter provided, but married women thus cited shall not be arrested except for contempt or upon capias issued to bring them before the magistrate as provided by section fourteen.'

Section 4, amended.

Sect. 4. Section four of said chapter is hereby amended by inserting between the word "county" and "at" in the third line thereof, the words 'in the town in which the debtor, the petitioner, or his attorney, resides, or at the shire town of said county,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Subpoena shall be issued to debtor to appear and disclose.

—debtor in county where defendant resides.

'Sect. 4. Such magistrate shall thereupon issue under his hand and seal a subpoena to the debtor, commanding him to appear before such magistrate within said county, in the town in which the debtor, the petitioner, or his attorney, resides, or at the shire town of said county, at a time and place therein named, to make full and true disclosure, on oath, of all his business and property affairs. Where plaintiff or his attorney of record resides in one county and defendant in another the debtor may be commanded to appear before such magistrate in any town in the county where the defendant resides. The application shall be annexed to the subpoena.'

Section 5, as amended by chapter 313, laws, 1893, further amended.

How subpoena may be served.

Sect. 5. Section five of said chapter as amended by chapter three hundred and thirteen of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, is hereby further amended, so as to read as follows:

'Sect. 5. The subpoena may be served by any officer qualified to serve civil process in said county, by giving him in hand a certified copy of the subpoena, in which case the debtor shall

have twenty-four hours' notice for every twenty miles travel from his home or place of abode at the time of service, to the place of disclosure, or, said subpoena may be served by said officer by leaving at his last and usual place of abode a certified copy of the same seven days at least before the time appointed for the hearing.'

Sect. 6. Section seven of said chapter is hereby amended by adding thereto the following words: 'If the petitioner is absent or does not propose interrogatories, the commissioner shall conduct the examination,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 7,  
amended.

'Sect. 7. The petitioner may propose to the debtor any interrogatories pertinent to the inquiry, and if he requires it, they shall be answered in writing and signed and sworn by the debtor. If the petitioner is absent or does not propose interrogatories, the commissioner shall conduct the examination.'

Petitioner  
may pro-  
pose ques-  
tions, and  
require  
sworn ans-  
wers in  
writing.

Sect. 7. Section nine of said chapter is hereby amended by inserting in the thirteenth line of said section after the word "demand" and before the word "if," the words 'except where the original debt was for necessities, the debtor shall not be required to assign any sums due him as wages for his personal labor earned within one month next preceding the date of the disclosure and not exceeding twenty dollars,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 9,  
amended.

'Sect. 9. When from such disclosure it appears that the debtor possesses, or has under his control, any bank bills, notes, accounts, bonds or other contracts or property, not exempted by statute from attachment, which cannot be come at to be attached, and the petitioner and debtor cannot agree to apply the same towards the debt the magistrate hearing the disclosure, shall appraise and set off enough of such property to satisfy the debt, cost and charges; and the petitioner or his attorney, if present, may select the property to be appraised. If the petitioner accepts it, it may be assigned and delivered to him by the debtor, and applied towards the satisfaction of his demand. Except where the original debt was for necessities, the debtor shall not be required to assign any sums due him as wages for his personal labor earned within one month next preceding the date of the disclosure and not exceeding twenty dollars. If any particular article of such property, necessary or convenient to be applied in satisfaction of the execution, exceeds the amount due thereon, and is not divisible

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necessar-  
ies, the  
debtor  
shall not be  
required to  
assign  
wages.

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Section 14,  
as amended  
by chapter  
313, further  
amended.

in its nature, the petitioner may take it, by paying the overplus to the debtor or securing it to the satisfaction of the magistrate.'

Sect. 8. Section fourteen of said chapter, as amended by chapter three hundred and thirteen, section three of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, is hereby amended by inserting in the third line of said section after the word "shall" and before the word "issue," the words 'upon the request of the petitioner;' by striking out the word "executing" in the seventh line of said section and substituting therefor the word 'serving;' by striking out all after the word "capias" in the sixth line of said section and by adding to said section the words 'after the question of costs of issuing and serving said capias has been thus determined, such debtor or other person shall submit himself to the examination required by his original subpoena,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

If debtor  
or other  
person re-  
fuses to ap-  
pear, shall  
be ad-  
judged in  
contempt,  
and shall  
pay costs.

—he shall  
then sub-  
mit to ex-  
amination.

'Sect. 14. If the debtor or any other person duly served with subpoena as above provided, refuses or neglects to appear, the magistrate shall upon the request of the petitioner issue a capias to bring said debtor or other person before him, and if upon hearing, said debtor or other person does not show good cause for his failure to appear, he may be ordered to pay the costs of issuing and serving said capias. After the question of costs of issuing and serving said capias has been thus determined, such debtor or other person shall submit himself to the examination required by his original subpoena.'

Section 16,  
amended.

Sect. 9. Section sixteen of said chapter is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Disclosure  
may be  
taken be-  
fore an-  
other com-  
missioner,  
and hear-  
ing may be  
adjourned.

Section 20,  
amended.

'Sect. 16. In case the commissioner who issued the summons is unable to attend, any other commissioner may attend and take the disclosure, and, for cause shown by either party, the examination may be adjourned from time to time.'

Sect. 10. Section twenty of said chapter is hereby amended by inserting after the word "debtor" and before the word "the" in the eighth line of said section, the words 'where the original debt, exclusive of costs, exceeds ten dollars and not otherwise,' and by adding to said section the words 'where the original debt, exclusive of costs, exceeds ten dollars, and not otherwise,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

If debtor  
fails to ob-  
tain bene-  
fit of the  
oath, fact

'Sect. 20. If upon such disclosure the debtor fails to obtain the benefit of the oath provided for in section eight, the magistrate shall, under his hand and seal, indorse a certificate of that

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fact upon the execution in force at the time of said disclosure, and a copy of said certificate shall be indorsed on every subsequent execution issued on said judgment, or on any judgment founded thereon, and such subsequent execution shall run against the body of said debtor, where the original debt exclusive of costs exceeds ten dollars and not otherwise. The magistrate shall also issue a capias under his hand and seal, and annex the same to said execution in force at the time of said disclosure, and the debtor may be arrested and imprisoned on said capias and execution, the same as upon executions issued in actions of tort, where the original debt exclusive of costs exceeds ten dollars and not otherwise.

shall be  
endorsed  
on execu-  
tion in  
force, and  
run against  
the body.

—may be  
impris-  
oned.

Sect. 11. Section twenty-one of said chapter is hereby amended by striking out the first three words of said section and substituting therefor the words, 'If a debtor cited to disclose on a judgment where the original debt exclusive of costs exceeds ten dollars,' and by striking out all after the word "subpoena" in the third line of said section and substituting therefor the words 'the petitioner may have a default recorded and then proceed as in section twenty, or, have a capias to bring in such debtor and proceed as in section fourteen,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 21,  
amended.

'Sect. 21. If a debtor cited to disclose on a judgment where the original debt exclusive of costs exceeds ten dollars, fails to appear and submit himself to examination, at the time and place named in subpoena, the petitioner may have a default recorded and then proceed as in section twenty or have a capias to bring in such debtor and proceed as in section fourteen, as amended.'

If debtor  
fails to ap-  
pear, de-  
fault may  
be re-  
corded.

—proceed-  
ing.

Sect. 12. Section twenty-six of said chapter, is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

Section 26,  
repealed.

'Sect. 26. Every commissioner shall keep a correct and sufficient record of the proceedings under each citation, stating the names of the parties, the amount of the judgment on which the disclosure is sought, the dates of application, of the issuance of subpoena and of the return day thereof, and of all hearings, adjournments, and continuances; also whether the debtor appeared or was brought in on capias or was defaulted; whether a disclosure was had and if so what property was disclosed; whether the oath was administered or refused, and if refused the record shall state the reason for such refusal.'

Commis-  
sioner  
shall keep  
a full  
record of  
all pro-  
ceedings.

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When act  
shall take  
effect.

Sect. 13. This act shall take effect May one, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

Approved March 27, 1897.

### Chapter 331.

An Act to correct a clerical error in Chapter two hundred fifty-nine of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, relating to the recording of attachments of personal property.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Chapter 259,  
[242] laws,  
1897,  
amended.

Chapter two hundred and fifty-nine of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven is hereby amended by striking out the word "twenty-seven" in the title thereof and substituting therefor the word "twenty-six." Also by substituting the word 'twenty-six' for the word "twenty-seven" in the first line thereof. Also by substituting 'twenty-six' for "twenty-seven" in the tenth line thereof, so that said chapter as amended shall read as follows:

'An Act to amend Section twenty-six of Chapter eighty-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to the recording of attachments of personal property.

Section twenty-six of chapter eighty-one of the revised statutes of Maine is hereby amended by adding thereto the words, 'provided there be an incorporated town adjoining such unincorporated place, and if there be no such adjoining town, such copy shall be filed and recorded in the office of the register of deeds, for the registry district in which said unincorporated place is located, and the fee for recording such an attachment shall be twenty-five cents, so that said section shall read as follows:

Attach-  
ment of  
bulky per-  
sonal prop-  
erty, how  
to be  
recorded in  
town  
clerk's of-  
fice.

'Sect. 26. When any personal property is attached which by reason of its bulk or other special cause cannot be immediately removed, the officer may within five days thereafter, file in the office of the clerk of the town in which the attachment is made, an attested copy of so much of his return on the writ, as relates to the attachment, with the value of the defendant's property which he is thereby commanded to attach, the names of the parties, the date of the writ, and the court to which it is returnable, and such attachment is as effectual and valid, as if the property had remained in his possession and custody.



The clerk shall receive the copy, noting thereon the time, enter it into a suitable book, and keep it on file for the inspection of those interested therein, for which he is entitled to ten cents. When the attachment is made in an unincorporated place, such copy shall be filed and recorded in the office of the clerk of the oldest adjoining town, provided there be an incorporated town adjoining such unincorporated place, and if there be no such adjoining town, such copy shall be filed and recorded, in the office of the register of deeds, for the registry district in which said unincorporated place is located, and the fee for recording such an attachment shall be twenty-five cents.'

Approved March 27, 1897.

### Chapter 332.

An Act regulating the manner of electing Town Superintendents, and defining the powers and duties of School Committees.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Chapter eleven of the revised statutes as now amended, is further amended by adding thereto the following section:

Chapter 11,  
R. S.,  
further  
amended.

'Sect. 129. The management of the schools and the custody and care including repairs and insurance on school buildings, and of all school property in every town, shall devolve upon a superintending school committee which shall annually elect a superintendent of schools who shall not be a member of the committee, who shall be ex-officio secretary of the committee, but any town may elect a superintendent of schools by ballot at the regular town meeting.'

Management of  
schools  
devolved  
upon super-  
intending  
school com-  
mittee.

—elect su-  
perintend-  
ent of  
schools,  
annually.

Sect. 2. All act and parts of acts, inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed.

Inconsis-  
tent acts,  
repealed.

Sect. 3. This act shall not apply to cities, nor to towns authorized by special laws to employ or choose superintendents in manner otherwise than as herein provided.

Act does  
not apply  
to cities  
and certain  
towns.

Approved March 27, 1897.

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**Chapter 333.**

An Act to prohibit the manufacture of cigarettes, and the sale thereof to minors.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Manufac-  
ture and  
sale of  
cigarettes  
to minors,  
prohibited.

—penalty.

Sect. 1. Whoever, by himself, his clerk, servant or agent, directly or indirectly, manufactures for sale, or directly or indirectly sells, offers for sale, has in his possession with intent to sell, or gives away to any person under the age of twenty-one years, any cigarette, shall be punished by fine not exceeding fifty dollars, or by imprisonment not exceeding sixty days.

Jurisdic-  
tion of of-  
fenses.

Sect. 2. Trial justices and municipal and police courts shall have jurisdiction of offenses described in the preceding section.

When act  
shall take  
effect.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect May one, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

Approved March 27, 1897.

**Chapter 334.**

An Act to regulate the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuff.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Dealers in  
concen-  
trated com-  
mercial  
feeding  
stuff, shall  
affix  
printed  
state-  
ment to  
each pack-  
age thereof.

—what it  
shall con-  
tain.

Sect. 1. Every manufacturer, company or person who shall sell, offer or expose for sale or for distribution in this state any concentrated commercial feeding stuff, as defined in section three of this act, used for feeding farm live stock, shall, in addition to the tax tag described in section five of this act, affix to every package of such feeding stuff, in a conspicuous place on the outside thereof, a plainly printed statement clearly and truly certifying the number of net pounds in the package sold or offered for sale, the name or trade mark under which the article is sold, the name of the manufacturer or shipper, the place of manufacture, the place of business and a chemical analysis stating the percentage of crude protein, allowing one per cent of nitrogen to equal six and one-fourth per cent of protein and of crude fat it contains, both constituents to be determined by the methods adopted at the time by the association of official agricultural chemists.

What term,  
feeding  
stuff, shall  
not include.

Sect. 2. The term concentrated commercial feeding stuff, as here used, shall not include hays and straws, the whole seeds

nor the unmixed meals made directly from the entire grains of wheat, rye, barley, oats, Indian corn, buckwheat, and broom corn. Neither shall it include wheat, rye and buckwheat brans or middlings, not mixed with other substances, but sold separately, as distinct articles of commerce, nor pure grains ground together.

Sect. 3. The term concentrated commercial feeding stuff, as here used, shall include linseed meals, cotton seed meals, pea meals, cocoanut meals, gluten meals, gluten feeds, maize feeds, starch feeds, sugar feeds, dried brewer's grains, malt sprouts, hominy feeds, cerealine feeds, rice meals, oat feeds, corn and oat chops, ground beef or fish scraps, mixed feeds, and all other materials of similar nature not included within section two of this act.

What term shall include.

Sect. 4. Before any manufacturer, company or person shall sell, offer or expose for sale in this state any concentrated commercial feeding stuff, as defined in section three of this act, he or they shall for each and every feeding stuff bearing a distinguishing name or trade mark, file with the director of the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station a certified copy of the statement named in section one of this act, said certified copy to be accompanied, when the director shall so request, by a sealed glass jar or bottle containing at least one pound of the feeding stuff to be sold or offered for sale, and the company or person furnishing said sample shall thereupon make affidavit that said sample corresponds within reasonable limits to the feeding stuff which it represents, in the percentage of protein and fat which it contains.

Certified copy of statement shall be filed with director of Maine Agricultural Experiment Station, with specimen of stuff.

Sect. 5. Each manufacturer, importer, agent or seller of any concentrated commercial feeding stuff, as defined in section three of this act, shall pay to the director of the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station an inspection tax of ten cents per ton for each ton of such concentrated feeding stuff sold or offered for sale in the state of Maine, and shall affix to each car shipped in bulk and to each bag, barrel or other package of such concentrated feeding stuff, a tag to be furnished by said director, stating that all charges specified in this section have been paid. The director of said experiment station is hereby empowered to prescribe the form for such tags, and adopt such regulations as may be necessary for the enforcement of the law. Whenever the manufacturer or importer or shipper of a concentrated feeding stuff shall have filed the statement made in section one

Manufacturers and dealers, required to pay inspection tax to director of station.

—affix tag to each car, etc., of feeding stuff certificate of payment of tax.

—director shall prescribe form for tag, etc.

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—tax shall be paid into the treasury of station.

Treasurer shall report annually receipts and expenditures.

Penalty for not complying with provisions of preceding section.

Director shall annually analyze one sample at least of all stuff offered for sale.

Samples may be taken by director from manufacturer, etc.

—shall be drawn in presence of parties in interest.

—samples shall be divided in two parts, sealed and labeled.

—one duplicate sample shall be retained by parties in interest.

—sample kept by director, is for comparison.

of this act and paid the inspection tax, no agent or seller of said manufacturer, importer or shipper shall be required to file such statement or pay such tax. The amount of inspection tax received by said director shall be paid by him into the treasury of the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station. The treasurer of said station shall make an annual report of receipts and expenditures of funds from this inspection tax, and all receipts in excess of three thousand dollars shall be carried into the state treasury.

Sect. 6. Any manufacturer, importer or person who shall sell, offer or expose for sale or for distribution in this state any concentrated commercial feeding stuff, as defined in section three of this act, without complying with the requirements of the preceding sections of this act, or any feeding stuff which contains substantially a smaller percentage of constituents than are certified to be contained, shall, on conviction in a court of competent jurisdiction, be fined not more than one hundred dollars for the first offense, and not more than two hundred dollars for each subsequent offense.

Sect. 7. The director of the Maine Experiment Station shall annually analyze, or cause to be analyzed, at least one sample to be taken in the manner hereinafter prescribed, of every concentrated commercial feeding stuff sold or offered for sale under the provisions of this act. Said director is hereby authorized and directed in person or by deputy to take a sample; not exceeding two pounds in weight, for said analysis, from any lot or package of concentrated commercial feeding stuff which may be in the possession of any manufacturer, importer, agent or dealer in this state; but said sample shall be drawn in the presence of said party or parties in interest, or their representative, and taken from a parcel or a number of packages, which shall not be less than ten per cent of the whole lot sampled, and shall be thoroughly mixed, and then divided into two equal samples, and placed in glass vessels, and carefully sealed and a label placed on each, stating the name or brand of the feeding stuff or material sampled, the name of the party from whose stock the sample was drawn and the time and place of drawing, and said label shall also be signed by the director or his deputy and by the party or parties in interest or their representative at the drawing and sealing of said samples; one of said duplicate samples shall be retained by the director and the other by the party whose stock was sampled; and the sample or samples

retained by the director shall be for comparison with the certified statement named in section four of this act. The result of the analysis of the sample or samples so procured, together with such additional information as circumstances advise, shall be published in reports or bulletins from time to time.

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—result of  
analyses,  
shall be  
published.

Sect. 8. Whenever the director becomes cognizant of the violation of any of the provisions of this act, he shall report such violation to the secretary of the board of agriculture, and said secretary shall prosecute the party or parties thus reported; but it shall be the duty of said secretary, upon thus ascertaining any violation of this act, to forthwith notify the manufacturer, importer or dealer in writing, and give him not less than thirty days thereafter in which to comply with the requirements of this act, but there shall be no prosecution in relation to the quality of any concentrated commercial feeding stuff if the same shall be found substantially equivalent to the certified statement named in section four of this act.

Secretary  
of board of  
agricul-  
ture shall  
prosecute  
for viola-  
tions.

—he shall  
notify  
parties of  
violations.

Sect. 9. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Inconsis-  
tent acts,  
repealed.

Sect. 10. This act shall take effect October first, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

When act  
shall take  
effect.

Approved March 27, 1897.



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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS  
OF THE  
STATE OF MAINE.  
1897.

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**Chapter 321.**

An Act to change the name of the Kittery and York Electric Railroad Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The name of the Kittery and York Electric Railroad Company is hereby changed to the Portsmouth, Kittery and York Street Railway.

\*Name of  
company  
changed.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 2, 1897.

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**Chapter 322.**

An Act to amend the charter of the Union Safe Deposit and Trust Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The seventh section of the charter of the Union Safe Deposit and Trust Company, as amended by act approved February twenty-eight, eighteen hundred and ninety-five, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Charter  
amended.

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Company  
may be  
appointed  
executor,  
trustee, or  
assignee.

—sureties  
not  
required  
unless  
required  
by court.

'Sect. 7. Said corporation may be appointed executor, trustee or assignee, with the same powers and duties as are conferred and imposed by law upon natural persons acting in the same capacities and subject to the same control of the courts having jurisdiction of the same, in all proceedings relating to the exercise of these powers; all papers may be signed and sworn to by any officer designated by the corporation for that purpose, and the officers shall be subject to citation and examination in the same manner and to the same extent as natural persons acting in the same capacities. No sureties shall be required upon the bond of the corporation when acting in said capacities, unless the court or officer approving said bond shall require it. Said corporation may become surety upon any bond required to be given by any party in any matter or proceeding in any court or by any person holding any position of trust in which a bond is required; and upon any bond required to be given under any law, or regulation of any department of the government, of the United States.'

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 2, 1897.

### **Chapter 323.**

An Act to legalize the lease of the Old Town Street Railway Company.

- *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Lease made  
valid.

Sect. 1. The lease heretofore made by the Old Town Street Railway Company to the Bangor, Orono and Old Town Railway Company, under the provisions of section thirteen of chapter four hundred and ninety-five of the private and special laws for the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, is hereby confirmed and made valid.

Franchises  
renewed.

Sect. 2. The franchises heretofore granted to said Old Town Street Railway Company are hereby renewed.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 2, 1897.

**Chapter 324.**

An Act to empower the Portland Elevator Company to lay a railroad track, lease its franchise, and other purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. In addition to the powers conferred upon the Portland Elevator Company by its organization, said company is hereby authorized to lay and maintain over its own premises such track or tracks as may be necessary to connect its elevator and storehouses with the tracks used by the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada, for the purposes of storing and shipping grain, and said Portland Elevator Company is further authorized and empowered to give, and the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada to receive, a lease of the franchises, elevator, power house, storehouses, railroad tracks, of said Portland Elevator Company, and all other property connected therewith upon such terms, conditions, agreements and rentals as the Portland Elevator Company and the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada shall agree upon. The coupon bonds of said Portland Elevator Company, dated January one, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety- seven, to the amount of two hundred thousand dollars, the indenture of trust and mortgage securing the payment of the same and the agreements, conveyances and acts of said company connected with the issue thereof are hereby authorized and made valid.

Additional  
powers  
conferred  
on  
company.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 2, 1897.

**Chapter 325.**

An Act to amend "An Act establishing a Municipal Court in the Town of Waterville."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Chapter 220  
private  
laws 1880,  
amended.

Chapter two hundred twenty of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred eighty, as amended by chapter three hundred twenty-nine of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred ninety-one, and by chapter four hundred eighty-two of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred ninety-three, and by chapter twenty-nine of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred ninety-five, entitled "An Act to establish a Municipal Court in the Town of Waterville," is hereby amended, so as to read as follows:

Waterville  
municipal  
court  
established.

'Sect. 1. There is hereby established in and for the city of Waterville, in the county of Kennebec, a court, to be denominated the Municipal Court of Waterville.

Court of  
record with  
seal.

'Sect. 2. Said court shall be a court of record, and have a seal to be affixed to all original processes issuing therefrom.

Judge,  
appoint-  
ment, term  
and  
qualifica-  
tions.

'Sect. 3. Said court shall consist of one judge, to be appointed in the manner and for the term provided by the constitution, who shall be a member of the bar in Kennebec county, who shall reside during his continuance in office in said city of Waterville, and who shall receive from said city, in monthly payments, an annual salary of nine hundred dollars, which shall be in full for all fees pertaining to his office; provided, however, that he shall receive in addition to said salary all fees allowed by law in matters relating to civil business.

—salary.

Concurrent  
jurisdic-  
tion.

'Sect. 4. Said court shall have concurrent jurisdiction with trial justices in all matters, civil or criminal, within the county of Kennebec, and with trial justices in all cases of forcible entry and detainer arising in said county. Nothing in this act shall be construed to give said court jurisdiction of any civil action in which the title to real estate, according to the pleadings or brief statement filed therein by either party, is in question; and all such actions brought therein shall be removed to the supreme judicial court, or otherwise disposed of as in like cases before a trial justice.

Exclusive  
jurisdic-  
tion.

'Sect. 5. Said court shall have original and exclusive jurisdiction of all offenses against the ordinances and laws of the city of Waterville, and in all civil actions, wherein the amount

claimed in damages shall not exceed twenty dollars, in which both parties interested, or the attorney of the plaintiff who made the writ, and the defendant, or in which the plaintiff or his attorney, and the person or persons summoned as trustees, shall be inhabitants of or residents in said city of Waterville, and in all cases of forcible entry and detainer arising in said city, excepting all actions in which said judge may be interested. Said court shall also have original concurrent jurisdiction with the superior court in and for the county of Kennebec in all civil actions where debt or damages demanded, exclusive of costs, do not exceed one hundred dollars, and the defendant, or any person summoned as trustee, resides in the city of Waterville, or in the towns of Oakland, Winslow, Benton, Clinton, Vassalboro or Albion, or in Unity Plantation; any action, however, in which the debt or damages demanded exceed twenty dollars, may be removed to the said superior court, on motion of the defendant, filed at the return term; provided, he shall, at the time he files his motion, also file an affidavit that he believes he has a good defence to said action in whole or in part, and intends, in good faith, to make such defence, and shall therewith deposit with the judge of said municipal court, the entry fee in the said superior court and one dollar for copies of writ, affidavit and motion, to be taxed in his costs if he prevail; the judge shall enter said action at the next term of the said superior court and shall file certified copies of the writ, affidavit and motion.

—actions  
may be  
removed to  
superior  
court.

—proviso.

'Sect. 6. Said court shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the superior court in the county of Kennebec of the offenses described in chapter one hundred and twenty, sections one, six, seven, eight and nine, of the revised statutes, when the value of the property is not alleged to exceed fifty dollars; and also of the offenses described in chapter one hundred and thirty-two, section four, of the revised statutes; and also of the offenses described in chapter one hundred and eighteen, section twenty-eight, of the revised statutes, and may punish in all such offenses by fine not exceeding fifty dollars, or by imprisonment for a time not exceeding four months; also of the offenses described in chapter one hundred and twenty-four, section six, of the revised statutes. Said court shall have exclusive jurisdiction of all offenses arising in said city which are by any law or statute within the jurisdiction of a trial justice, and concurrent

Concurrent  
jurisdic-  
tion with  
superior  
court in  
certain  
cases.

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jurisdiction with trial justices of the county of Kennebec of all such offenses arising in said county outside of said city.

Judge shall  
keep  
records.

'Sect. 7. It shall be the duty of the judge of said court to make and keep the records thereof, or cause the same to be made and kept, and said judge shall have custody of the seal of said court, and shall perform all other duties required of judges of similar tribunals in this state; and copies of said records duly certified by said judge shall be legal evidence in all courts.

Appoint-  
ment and  
duties of  
recorder.

'Sect. 8. There shall be appointed by the governor, for said court, a recorder, who shall keep the records of said court when requested so to do by the judge; and in case of absence from the court room, or sickness of the judge, or when the office of judge shall be vacant, the recorder shall have and exercise all the powers of the judge, and perform all the duties required of said judge by this act, and shall be empowered to sign and issue all processes and papers, and to do all acts as fully and with the same effect as the judge could do were he acting in the premises; and the signature of the recorder, as such, shall be sufficient evidence of his right to act instead of the judge. When the office of judge is vacant, the recorder shall be entitled to the fees; in all other cases he shall be paid by the judge.

—compen-  
sation of.

Terms. "

'Sect. 9. Said court shall be held on the first Monday of each month, except the month of August, for the transaction of civil business, and all actions shall be made returnable at one of the two terms next begun and held after the commencement of the action; provided, however, that said court shall be held on every Monday of each month, except the month of August, for the entry and trial of actions of forcible entry and detainer, and judgment, in such actions, may be entered on the day when the same are heard and determined. Said court may be adjourned

—session of.

from time to time, but shall be considered as in constant session for the cognizance of criminal actions. Said court shall be held at such place as the city of Waterville shall provide; and said city shall have power, and it shall be its duty to raise money to pay the salary of said judge; to purchase blanks, blank books, seals, dockets, and all things necessary for the use of said court; to provide a suitable court room for said court; and to furnish the same in an appropriate manner. The city marshal of said city or one of his deputies shall be in attendance on said court in all criminal cases for the purpose of preserving order, and shall execute all legal orders and processes to him directed by the

—city shall  
provide  
court room,  
etc.

—city  
marshal or  
deputy shall  
be in  
attendance.

court, and shall be entitled to fees and travel the same as sheriff and deputies in Kennebec county.

'Sect. 10. All writs and processes, issued by said court, shall be of the usual forms, and all writs in which the debt or damages demanded do not exceed twenty dollars, shall be served as now provided by law in case of writs issued by trial justices, and all writs in which the debt or damages demanded exceed twenty dollars, shall be served in time and manner as now provided by law in case of writs issued by the supreme judicial court. Said court is hereby authorized to administer oaths, render judgments, issue executions, punish for contempt, and compel attendance as in the supreme judicial court, and make all such rules and regulations, not repugnant to law, as may be necessary and proper for the administration of justice.

Writs and processes, form and service.

—powers of court to administer oath, etc.

'Sect. 11. All actions may be tried by said court without the intervention of a jury, subject to the right of appeal. All actions shall be entered during the first day of the term at which they are returnable and not after without special permission. When a defendant, legally served, does not appear within the first two days of the term, he shall be defaulted, but the court may take off the default for sufficient cause. All pleas in abatement must be filed within the first two days. The defendant shall file his pleas within fourteen days after entry of the action, which shall consist of the general issue, with a brief statement of special matter of defence, if any. If the defendant does not file his pleadings as before provided, he shall be defaulted on the first day of the next term after entry, unless the court, for good reason, grants him leave to plead or otherwise lawfully dispose of the case. All actions duly answered to shall be in order for trial at the next term after entry. Any party may appeal from any judgment or sentence of said court to the superior court for the county of Kennebec, in the same manner as from a judgment or sentence of a trial justice.

Entry and trial of actions.

—appeals may be taken to superior court.

'Sect. 12. All the provisions of the statutes of the state relative to attachment of real and personal property and the levy of executions, shall be applicable to actions brought in this court, which shall have authority to render judgments and issue executions to be satisfied in the same manner as though issuing from the supreme judicial court; provided, that property may be attached in addition to the ad damnum sufficient to satisfy the costs of suit.

Attachments and levy of executions, how made.

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fees.**

'Sect. 13. Costs and fees allowed to parties, witnesses and attorneys in all actions in said court, in which the amount of debt or damages claimed in the plaintiff's declaration do not exceed twenty dollars, shall be the same allowed in actions before trial justices, except that the plaintiff, if he prevail, shall be allowed one dollar for his writ, and the defendant, if he prevail, shall be allowed one dollar for his pleadings; but in all actions in which the debt or damages demanded in the plaintiff's declaration exceed twenty dollars, the costs and fees allowed to parties and attorneys shall be the same allowed in said superior court, except that the defendant, if he prevail, shall be allowed two dollars for his pleadings; and witnesses in such cases shall be allowed for their attendance one dollar per day and travel as in other cases. The fees allowed to the judge of said court shall be the same as now provided by law for trial justices, except that he may demand and receive for every warrant issued, one dollar; for the trial of a criminal issue, one dollar; and one dollar for every day occupied in the hearing of any case after the first day; for the entry of an action, civil or criminal, fifty cents; and for copies in any action appealed from said court, two dollars. All fines, penalties and costs paid into said court upon convictions and sentences in criminal matters, together with all fees allowed to the judge of said court by law in the transaction of criminal business, shall be paid to said judge. All fines and penalties received by said judge shall be accounted for and paid over in the same manner as is required by law of trial justices, and all fees allowed to said judge by law in criminal cases and received by said judge shall be accounted for and paid over by him to the treasurer of said city of Waterville quarterly; and all other fees received by him shall be paid to the persons entitled by law to the same as if received by a trial justice.

**Jurisdic-  
tion.**

'Sect. 14. Trial justices are hereby restricted from exercising any jurisdiction in the city of Waterville over any matter or thing, civil or criminal, except such as are within the jurisdiction of justices of the peace and of the quorum.

**Shall not  
interfere  
with pend-  
ing actions.**

'Sect. 15. Nothing contained in this act shall be construed to interfere with any actions already commenced and made returnable before said court.

**Inconsis-  
tent acts  
are modi-  
fied.**

'Sect. 16. All existing acts or parts of acts, public or private, inconsistent herewith, are hereby modified so as to conform to the provisions of this act.

'Sect. 17. This act shall take effect when approved.'

Approved February 2, 1897.



**Chapter 326.**

An Act in addition to and to amend Chapter six hundred and thirty-four, Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, as amended by Chapter fifty, Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to the Hampden and Winterport Electric Railway and Light Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The doings of the stockholders of the Hampden and Winterport Railway at a special meeting duly called and held in the city of Bangor on the thirtieth day of December eighteen hundred and ninety-six, relative to the change of the name of said corporation so that thereafter it should be called the Bangor, Hampden and Winterport Railway is approved.

Doings H. &  
W. Railway  
made valid.

And the name of said corporation is changed to the Bangor, Hampden and Winterport Railway.

—Name  
changed.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 2, 1897.

**Chapter 327.**

An Act to amend Section eleven of Chapter two hundred and twenty-four of the Private and Special Laws of one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine, relating to the Augusta Municipal Court.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section eleven of chapter two hundred and twenty-four of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and forty-nine is hereby amended, by adding thereto the following: 'Said court shall also have original jurisdiction, concurrent with the superior court, of all civil actions at law, except complaints for flowage, real actions and trespass, quare clausum, in which the debt and damages demanded, exclusive of cost, does not exceed fifty dollars in which any party defendant or a person summoned in good faith and on probable grounds as trustee, resides in the county of Kennebec or having his residence beyond the limits of this state is served with process within said county. If any defendant, his agent or attorney in any action in said court, in which the debt or damages claimed in the writ exceeds twenty dollars, shall appear at the first term and on or before the first day of the second term, file in said court an affidavit that he has a good defence

Section 11,  
chapter 224  
private laws  
1849,  
amended.

—jurisdic-  
tion  
enlarged.

—actions  
may be  
removed to  
superior  
court.

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—may  
appeal to  
superior  
court.

—costs and  
fees.

to said action and intends in good faith to make such defence and claims a jury trial, the said action shall be removed into and entered at the next term of the superior court for said county. And the judge of said municipal court on payment to him of the entry fee in said superior court by the plaintiff, shall forthwith cause the original writ and all other papers in the case to be filed in the clerk's office of said superior court. Any party may appeal from any judgment or sentence of said municipal court to the superior court in the same manner as from a judgment of a trial justice. The costs and fees allowed to parties and attorneys in civil actions before said court, in which the debt or damages recovered do not exceed twenty dollars shall be the same as are allowed before trial justices, except that the plaintiff, if he prevails, shall be allowed two dollars for his writ, and the defendant, if he prevails, shall be allowed one dollar for his pleadings. In all actions in which the amount recovered exceeds twenty dollars, the costs and fees of parties and attorneys shall be the same as in the superior court.'

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 2, 1897.

### Chapter 328.

An Act to repeal Chapter five hundred and three of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and twenty-eight, to regulate the taking of fish in Narragagus River.

*Be it enacted by the Senaté and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Chapter 508,  
private laws  
1828,  
repealed.

Chapter five hundred and three of private acts of eighteen hundred and twenty-eight is hereby repealed, and all acts amendatory thereto.

Approved February 2, 1897.

**Chapter 329.**

An Act to extend the charter of the Maine Live Stock Insurance Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The rights, powers and privileges of the Maine Live Stock Insurance Company which were granted by chapter two hundred and ninety-six, of the private and special laws for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-five, are hereby extended for two years additional; and the persons named in said act shall have all the rights, powers and privileges that were granted them by said act, to be exercised in the same manner, and for the same purposes, as provided in said act.

Powers  
extended for  
two years.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 2, 1897.

**Chapter 330.**

An Act to fix the term of office of the Police Officers of the City of Auburn.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The city marshal, deputy marshal, and police officers of the city of Auburn shall hereafter be appointed by the mayor, by and with the advice and consent of the aldermen, in March or April. The city marshal shall hold his office for the term of two years, and the remainder of the police force shall hold their office for the term of three years, ending on the last day of March; provided, that in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, one-third of the police force, as near as may be, shall be appointed for the term of three years, one-third, as near as may be, for the term of two years, and one-third, as near as may be, for the term of one year. Any vacancy shall be filled for the remainder of the unexpired term. Whenever the police force is increased, the new appointments shall be made for such terms that the term of office of one-third of the entire force, as near as may be, shall expire each year.

Appoint-  
ment of  
police  
officers.

—tenure.

—proviso.

—vacan-  
cies, how  
filled.

Sect. 2. The mayor may suspend any police officer until the next meeting of the mayor and aldermen. Any officer, after notice and hearing, may be removed by the mayor, by

Police offi-  
cers may be  
suspended  
or removed.

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and with the consent and advice of the aldermen, for insubordination, inefficiency, neglect of duty, or other reasonable cause.

May appoint special police officers.

Sect. 3. The mayor, by and with the advice and consent of the aldermen, may, from time to time appoint special police officers, as occasion may require, define their duties and fix their compensation, and they shall hold office during the pleasure of the mayor and aldermen.

Sect. 4. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 8, 1897.

### Chapter 331.

An Act to provide for filling vacancies in the Board of Directors of the Maine General Hospital.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Vacancies in board of directors of Maine General Hospital, how filled.

Sect. 1. Vacancies which may at any time exist in that part of the board of directors of the Maine General Hospital chosen by the corporators, may be filled by the board by the election of a director or directors to serve until the next annual meeting of the corporators.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 8, 1897.

### Chapter 332.

An Act to authorize the County of Androscoggin to make a loan and issue bonds therefor.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

County of Androscoggin authorized to procure a loan.

Sect. 1. The county of Androscoggin is hereby authorized to procure by loan, on the faith and responsibility of said county, a sum not exceeding thirty thousand dollars, to be used and expended by and under the direction of the county commissioners of said county, for the purpose of paying land damage assessed and incurred by the widening of Court street in the city of Auburn in said county, and to provide for the payment of temporary loans and contingent expenses. And the

treasurer of said county is hereby authorized, under the direction of said commissioners, to issue county bonds therefor with coupons for interest attached. The interest on said bonds shall not exceed four per cent. per annum, and to be payable semi-annually at the office of the county treasurer for said county. The principal of said bonds shall be repaid by said county at such time or times, not exceeding twenty years, as the said commissioners may decree; and none of these bonds shall be sold or negotiated by said county at a less sum than par. Said bonds shall be signed by the treasurer of the county and countersigned by the county commissioners, and attested under the seal of the county by the clerk of courts for said county.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 8, 1897.

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—treasurer  
authorized  
to issue  
coupon  
bonds.

—rate of  
interest.

—how bonds  
shall be  
signed.

## Chapter 333.

An Act to authorize the United Gas and Electric Company of New Hampshire to hold property and do business in Maine.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The United Gas and Electric Company, a corporation organized under the laws of the state of New Hampshire, is hereby authorized to purchase, hold, maintain and operate the property of the Consolidated Light and Power Company incorporated by act approved the twenty-first day of March in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and ninety-three, situate in this state and, upon such purchase, is hereby invested with all the rights and powers granted to said Consolidated Light and Power Company by said act subject to the limitations and conditions imposed therein; and said United Gas and Electric Company may mortgage its property in this state, including its franchise, with its other property, to secure bonds to be issued by it, not exceeding in amount the amount of its capital stock subscribed for.

United Gas  
and Electric  
Company  
authorized  
to purchase  
property of  
Consolidated  
Light and  
Power  
Company.

—may  
mortgage  
property  
and issue  
bonds.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 8, 1897.

CHAP. 334**Chapter 334.**

An Act authorizing the Draper Company to issue preferred stock and hold stock and bonds of other corporations.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Draper  
Company  
authorized  
to hold  
stock and  
bonds of  
other corpo-  
rations.

Sect. 1. The Draper Company, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the state of Maine, is hereby authorized and empowered to acquire, hold and dispose of shares of the capital stock and bonds of other corporations engaged in a similar business to that of said Draper Company or employing in their business such products as the Draper Company manufactures, and its right to issue common and preferred stock, as provided by its certificate of organization and by-laws, is hereby ratified and confirmed.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 8, 1897.

**Chapter 335.**

An Act to amend Private and Special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three relating to Glidden Water Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 3,  
chapter 607,  
private laws  
1893,  
amended.

Section three of chapter six hundred and seven of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three is hereby amended by inserting after the word "of" in the second line, the word 'Little,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Corpo-  
ration to  
take water,  
erect dams,  
and lay  
pipes.

'Section 3. Said corporation is hereby authorized, for the purposes aforesaid, to take, detain and use the water of Little, Pemaquid or Damariscotta pond, in Lincoln County, and to erect and maintain reservoirs and dams, and lay down and maintain pipes and aqueducts necessary for the proper accumulating, conducting, discharging, distributing and disposing of water, and forming proper reservoirs thereof; and said corporation may take and hold, by purchase or otherwise, any lands or real estate necessary therefor, and may excavate through any lands when necessary for the purposes of the corporation.'

—may take  
land.

Approved February 8, 1897.

**Chapter 336.**

An Act to change the name of the Sanford Agricultural and Mechanical Association.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. That chapter one hundred and fourteen, section one, of the special laws, eighteen hundred and ninety-one, be amended so as to change the name of the Sanford Agricultural and Mechanical Association to the Springvale Agricultural and Mechanical Association.

Name of Sanford Agricultural and Mechanical Association, changed.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 8, 1897.

**Chapter 337.**

An Act to legalize the doings of the County Commissioners of Penobscot County in making temporary loans and to authorize said county to borrow money and issue bonds.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The doings of the county commissioners of Penobscot county in procuring temporary loans in the name of and for the use of said county are hereby ratified, confirmed and made valid; and all unpaid notes or other evidences of indebtedness of said county given for and on account of said temporary loans are hereby made and declared to be valid obligations of said county.

Doings of county commissioners, made valid.

Sect. 2. The county of Penobscot is hereby authorized to issue its bonds to an amount not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars for the purpose of paying its outstanding temporary loans.

County authorized to issue bonds.

Sect. 3. Said bonds shall become payable within ten years from the first day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, at such times as the county commissioners may appoint and shall bear interest at the rate of four per cent per annum, payable semi-annually.

When payable.

—rate of interest.

Sect. 4. The county treasurer is hereby authorized under the direction of the county commissioners to issue fifty bonds of the county of Penobscot with interest coupons attached of the denomination of five hundred dollars each, dated January

Treasurer authorized to issue coupon bonds.

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first, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, payable to bearer at such times within ten years as the county commissioners may appoint.

How bonds  
shall be  
signed and  
sold.

Sect. 5. Said bonds and coupons shall be signed by the county treasurer and said bonds shall be countersigned by the county commissioners of said county and attested under the seal of the county by the clerk of courts for said county, and shall be sold by the treasurer at the highest price that he can obtain, not less than par and accrued interest; and the proceeds of the same shall be applied to the payment of the outstanding temporary loans of said county and for no other purpose.

—how  
proceeds  
shall be  
applied.

Temporary  
loan,  
authorized.

Sect. 6. The county commissioners of said Penobscot county may raise by temporary loan, to be paid within one year from the time when the same is contracted, a sum not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars in any year for use of said county and cause interest bearing notes or obligations of said county to be issued for payment thereof as aforesaid.

Sect. 7. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 8, 1897.

### Chapter 338.

An Act relating to a branch railroad track in Ashland and Sheridan Plantation.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Bangor and  
Aroostook  
Railroad  
Company,  
authorized  
to locate a  
branch  
road.

Sect. 1. Whenever the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company shall present to the railroad commissioners, a location, not exceeding four rods in width, of the branch railroad track as now constructed from the main line of the railroad of said company in Ashland in Aroostook county to the mill of the Ashland Manufacturing Company in Sheridan plantation in said county, said railroad commissioners are hereby authorized and directed to approve such location if it is satisfactory to them. After such location shall have been so approved, said railroad company shall cause to be filed with the clerk of courts of said Aroostook county a copy of said approved location and endorsed thereon shall be a copy of said approval duly certified to be such by the clerk of said railroad commissioners. When said copy is so filed with said clerk of courts, said branch railroad track shall be and be considered as legally located and

—approval  
of.

—shall file  
copy of  
approval  
with clerk  
of courts.



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shall thereafter be maintained and operated under the direction of the railroad commissioners as a branch railroad track, pursuant to the provisions of section eighteen of chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes, and the land embraced in said location shall be deemed to have been taken and shall thereafter be held as for public uses, and for the real estate so taken, damages shall be estimated and paid as provided in section eighteen of said chapter fifty-one.

—damages,  
how  
estimated.

Sect. 2. After the approval of such location, whenever said railroad company shall present to the railroad commissioners a petition asking for the approval of the present crossing of the old state road by said branch railroad track, and said railroad commissioners shall approve such crossing, the same shall thereupon be and become a legal and sufficient crossing, and said railroad commissioners are hereby authorized and directed to approve said crossing if it is built to their satisfaction, and to prescribe the manner and conditions under which it shall be thereafter maintained, and if said crossing is not now built to their satisfaction, said commissioners shall state in writing what changes shall be made in said crossing, and when such changes are made, then said crossing shall become a legal and sufficient crossing. Said company shall cause to be filed with said clerk of courts, a copy of the approval of said crossing duly certified to be such by the clerk of said commissioners.

Approval of  
crossing at  
old state  
road.

—copy to be  
filed with  
clerk of  
courts.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 8, 1897.

### Chapter 339.

An Act to amend the charter of the Maine Trust and Banking Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section eleven of the charter of the Maine Trust and Banking Company, authorized by chapter two hundred and ninety-seven of the private and special laws of one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, is hereby amended as follows; by striking out the word "ten" in the third line of said section and substituting therefor the word 'five,' and by striking out the words "first meetings" in the fourth line, and substituting therefor the words 'annual meetings' so that said section as amended, shall then read:

Charter  
amended.

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Trustees,  
number and  
qualifica-  
tion.

—tenure.

—executive  
board,  
appoint-  
ment of.

'Sect. 11. All the corporate powers of this corporation shall be exercised by a board of trustees, all of whom shall reside in this state, whose number, not less than five, shall be determined by the stockholders at their annual meetings. Their term of office shall be for one year and until their successors shall have been chosen and qualified except that the trustees first chosen shall hold office until the next annual meeting of the stockholders. The affairs and powers of the corporation may, at the option of the stockholders, be entrusted to an executive board of five members, to be elected by the stockholders from the full board of trustees.'

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 8, 1897.

### Chapter 340.

An Act additional to the Act of eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, Chapter four hundred and fifty-three, to establish a ferry across Penobscot River, between Ayer's Falls and Marsh Rips, as amended by the Act of eighteen hundred and eighty, Chapter two hundred and twenty-one.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Charter  
extended.

Sect. 1. Said charter shall be, and hereby is, continued in force ten years from and after the expiration of the present charter.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 10, 1897.

**Chapter 341.**

An Act to provide in part for the Expenditures of Government.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. In order to provide for the several acts and resolves of the legislature, requiring the payment of money from the treasury, and also to provide for the necessary expenditures of government for the current fiscal year of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, the following sums are hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the treasury, and the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, is authorized at any time prior to the first day of January next, to draw his warrant on the treasury for the same.

Act of ap-  
propria-  
tion.

School fund and mill tax due in eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, five hundred nine thousand nine hundred thirty-three dollars and five cents,	\$509,933 05
Free high schools, forty-five thousand dollars..	45,000 00
Free high schools for eighteen hundred and ninety-six, six thousand two hundred and seventy-four dollars and thirty-five cents.....	6,274 35
Normal schools and training school, twenty-seven thousand dollars.....	27,000 00
Teachers' meetings, one thousand dollars.....	1,000 00
State examination of teachers, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
Trustees normal schools, six hundred dollars....	600 00
Interest on Madawaska territory school fund, three hundred dollars.....	300 00
Anson Academy, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
Bridgton Academy, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
Corinna Union Academy, five hundred dollars...	500 00
East Corinth Academy, three hundred dollars...	300 00
Erskine School, three hundred dollars.....	300 00
Foxcroft Academy, five hundred sixty dollars....	560 00
Fryeburg Academy, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
Gould's Academy, eight hundred dollars.....	800 00
Hampden Academy, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
Hebron Academy, sixty dollars.....	60 00
Houlton Academy, one hundred twenty dollars..	120 00
Limerick Academy, five hundred dollars.....	500 00

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	Lincoln Academy, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
	Litchfield Academy, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
	Maine Central Institute, one thousand dollars....	1,000 00
	Mattanawcook Academy, five hundred dollars...	500 00
	Monson Academy, three hundred dollars.....	300 00
	Oak Grove Seminary, eight hundred dollars.....	800 00
	Paris Hill Academy, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
	Patten Academy, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
	Ricker Classical Institute, one thousand dollars..	1,000 00
	Somerset Academy, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
	Washington Academy, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
	School district number two, Madison, fifty dollars.	50 00
	Salaries of public officers, eighty-three thousand dollars.....	83,000 00
	Subordinate officers of state prison, ten thousand five hundred dollars.....	10,500 00
	Public debt, fifty thousand dollars.....	50,000 00
	Interest, seventy-eight thousand dollars.....	78,000 00
	State library, one thousand dollars.....	1,000 00
•	Private secretary to the governor, one thousand two hundred dollars.....	1,200 00
	Clerks in secretary of state's office, three thousand two hundred dollars.....	3,200 00
	Clerks in treasurer's office, three thousand three hundred dollars.....	3,300 00
	Clerk in adjutant general's office, one thousand dollars.....	1,000 00
	Clerk in superintendent of school's office, one thousand dollars.....	1,000 00
	Pension clerk, one thousand two hundred dollars.	1,200 00
	Stenographer to chief justice of supreme judicial court, one thousand five hundred dollars.....	1,500 00
	Secretary of board of agriculture, one thousand five hundred dollars.....	1,500 00
	Clerk to secretary of board of agriculture, one thousand dollars.....	1,000 00
	Clerks to bank examiner, one thousand five hun- dred dollars.....	1,500 00
	Clerk to state assessors, one thousand dollars....	1,000 00
	Messenger to governor and council, five hundred dollars.....	500 00

Stenographer and typewriter, six hundred dollars.	600 00	CHAP. 341
Assistant librarian, five hundred dollars.....	500 00	
Pay roll of council, four thousand five hundred dollars.....	4,500 00	
Contingent fund of governor and council, six thousand dollars.....	6,000 00	
Contingent fund of secretary of state, three hundred dollars.....	300 00	
Contingent fund of treasurer, eight hundred dollars.....	800 00	
Engrossing clerk and proof reader, six hundred dollars.....	600 00	
Journal of senate, three hundred dollars.....	300 00	
Journal of house of representatives, three hundred dollars.....	300 00	
Journal of council, one hundred fifty dollars....	150 00	
Indexing and filing senate and house papers, one hundred dollars.....	100 00	
Consolidating and indexing laws, one hundred fifty dollars.....	150 00	
Indices, one hundred fifty dollars.....	150 00	
Expenses of state assessors, one thousand dollars.....	1,000 00	
Expenses of attorney general, four hundred fifty dollars.....	450 00	
Expenses of superintendent of common schools, five hundred dollars.....	500 00	
Expenses of insurance commissioner, one thousand two hundred dollars.....	1,200 00	
Expenses of bank examiner, six hundred dollars.	600 00	
Expenses of state liquor commissioner, two thousand five hundred dollars.....	2,500 00	
Compensation and expenses of state liquor assayer, one thousand dollars.....	1,000 00	
Expenses of forest commissioner, four hundred dollars.....	400 00	
Expenses of secretary of board of agriculture, three hundred dollars.....	300 00	
Expenses of inspector of factories, workshops, mines and quarries, five hundred dollars.....	500 00	
Bureau of industrial and labor statistics, three thousand five hundred dollars.....	3,500 00	

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	Registration of vital statistics, two thousand five hundred dollars.....	2,500 00
	Trustees of reform school, eight hundred dollars.....	800 00
	Visiting committee to reform school, four hundred fifty dollars.....	450 00
	Sanford legacy to reform school, forty-two dollars.....	42 00
	Trustees to insane hospital, one thousand five hundred dollars.....	1,500 00
	Visiting committee to insane hospital, four hundred dollars.....	400 00
	Insane state beneficiaries, sixty-six thousand dollars.....	66,000 00
	Criminal insane, three thousand five hundred dollars.....	3,500 00
	Military pensions, three thousand five hundred dollars.....	3,500 00
	County taxes collected in eighteen hundred ninety-six, twenty-three thousand eight hundred twenty-one dollars and fifty-three cents..	23,821 53
	Railroad and telegraph tax due towns, fifty-nine thousand ninety-one dollars and thirty-two cents.....	59,091 32
	Printing, thirty-five thousand dollars.....	35,000 00
	Printing for eighteen hundred ninety-six, five thousand one hundred dollars.....	5,100 00
	Binding and stitching, sixteen thousand dollars..	16,000 00
	Binding and stitching for eighteen hundred ninety-six, four thousand two hundred four dollars and nineteen cents.....	4,204 19
	Bounty on animals, two thousand five hundred dollars.....	2,500 00
	Bounty on seals, two thousand five hundred dollars.....	2,500 00
	Lands reserved for public uses, two thousand dollars.....	2,000 00
	Interest on lands reserved for public uses, four thousand dollars.....	4,000 00
	Forfeited lands, two thousand dollars.....	2,000 00
	Burial expenses of soldiers and sailors, five thousand dollars.....	5,000 00

Property exempt from taxation, two thousand two hundred dollars.....	2,200 00
Water for state prison, two thousand five hundred dollars.....	2,500 00
Lights for state prison, four thousand five hundred dollars.....	4,500 00
School in state prison, fifty dollars.....	50 00
Medicines for state prison, one hundred fifty dollars.....	150 00
Books for use of convicts in state prison, fifty dollars.....	50 00
Inspectors of state prison and jails, one thousand five hundred dollars.....	1,500 00
Inspectors of steamboats, two thousand five hundred dollars.....	2,500 00
Inspectors of dams and reservoirs, one hundred dollars.....	100 00
Railroad commissioners, ten thousand dollars...	10,000 00
Investigation of railroad accidents, one thousand dollars.....	1,000 00
Penobscot Indians, shore rents, two thousand six hundred eighteen dollars.....	2,618 00
Sheriffs and coroners, six hundred dollars.....	600 00
Costs in criminal prosecutions, one thousand five hundred dollars.....	1,500 00
Reports of judicial decisions, six thousand four hundred dollars.....	6,400 00
Idiotic and feeble-minded persons, three thousand dollars.....	3,000 00
Support of paupers in unincorporated places, fifteen thousand dollars.....	15,000 00
Deaf, dumb and blind, twenty-two thousand dollars.....	22,000 00
Agricultural societies, eight thousand two hundred dollars.....	8,200 00
Farmers' institutes, three thousand dollars.....	3,000 00
Board of agriculture, four hundred fifty dollars..	450 00
Maine State Agricultural Society, one thousand dollars.....	1,000 00
Maine State Agricultural Society, for industrial exhibits, one thousand dollars.....	1,000 00
Eastern Maine State Fair, one thousand dollars..	1,000 00

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	Advertising laws, five thousand dollars.....	5,000 00
	Superior court in Waterville, two hundred dollars.....	200 00
	Militia fund, thirty-two thousand eight hundred fifty dollars.....	32,850 00
	Free public libraries, two thousand five hundred dollars.....	2,500 00
	Donation for founding free public libraries, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
	Maine state cattle commission, contagious diseases, deficiency, seven thousand two hundred eighty-seven dollars and thirty-three cents.....	7,287 33
	Bridge between Howland and Enfield, five thousand dollars.....	5,000 00
	Uniform blanks and rules of practice and procedure in courts of probate and insolvency, ten thousand four hundred twenty-three dollars and eighty-three cents.....	10,423 83
	Electoral college, five hundred eighty-seven dollars.....	587 00
	Expenses committee appointed under senate order of February twenty, eighteen hundred ninety-five, five hundred eighty-three dollars and twenty-three cents.....	583 23
	Expenses committee appointed by house to attend funeral of Ex-Governor Davis, thirty-eight dollars and ninety-three cents.....	38 93
	Expenses committee appointed by senate to attend funeral of Ex-Governor Davis, nineteen dollars and thirty-five cents.....	19 35
	Expenses state liquor commissioner, deficiency, one thousand three hundred thirty-one dollars and thirty-nine cents.....	1,331 39
	Freeman's supplements and Reed's rules for the legislature, one thousand two hundred thirty-nine dollars.....	1,239 00
	Amounting to the sum of one million two hundred seventy-three thousand thirty-four dollars and fifty cents.....	\$1,273,034 50

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 13, 1897.



**Chapter 342.**

An Act to provide for the preservation of the deeds now in Lincoln County, relating to land in Kennebec County in the Kennebec Registry.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The register of deeds of Kennebec county is hereby authorized to make copies and indexes, in suitable volumes to be furnished by the county commissioners of said county, for preservation in the Kennebec registry, of all records pertaining to titles of land now embraced within the present limits of Kennebec county, and now in the registry of deeds in Lincoln county, and of the certificates of the records thereof.

Register of deeds of Kennebec county, authorized to make copies of deeds in Lincoln county.

Sect. 2. The copy of each deed or instrument made under the authority of this act and of the certificate of the record thereof, shall be attested by said register as a true copy from the Lincoln county records of deeds in the Kennebec registry, and copies of the record of such copies and certificates shall be admissible in evidence in all cases where copies of the original records would be admissible.

Attested copies may be used as evidence.

Sect. 3. For the copy of such records, excepting the marginal notes of discharges of mortgages which notes shall be included in the original mortgage as one copy, and the proper indexing of the same, said register of deeds shall receive therefor sixty cents for each deed or instrument, to be paid out of the treasury of said county of Kennebec as soon as completed.

Compensation of register.

Approved February 13, 1897.

**Chapter 343.**

An Act to establish a sinking fund for the County of Kennebec.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The county of Kennebec is hereby authorized to raise each year commencing with the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, not more than two nor less than one thousand dollars, the amount for each year to be determined by the county commissioners and included in the county estimates and assessed and collected as other county charges; and the sum so raised shall be held as a sinking fund to be invested as

Sinking fund authorized.

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hereinafter provided and applied for the payment of the principal of the bonds of said county, issued in the years one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one and ninety-three as they mature.

How invested.

Sect. 2. The county treasurer under the direction of the county commissioners shall, on or before the first day of November in each year when any sum is so raised, invest the same, either by depositing in a savings bank or trust company, or purchasing any of said bonds, or bonds authorized by law to be purchased by savings banks.

Income re-invested.

Sect. 3. All income derived from any investment under this act shall be re-invested, in the same manner, as provided in section two for the principal of said fund.

Treasurer shall keep account.

Sect. 4. The county treasurer shall keep a full and complete account of all investments made by authority hereof, and in his annual report shall make a statement of the amount and condition thereof.

Shall dispose of as many bonds as shall be necessary.

Sect. 5. Upon the maturity of any of the bonds hereinbefore specified for the payment of which the fund herein authorized is pledged, the county treasurer, with the approval of the county commissioners, shall dispose of such portion of the bonds purchased, or draw from the savings bank or trust company where deposited, such amount as shall be necessary to meet the bonds so maturing, and shall apply the proceeds of the bonds so disposed of or the money so drawn to the payment of said county bonds.

Sect. 6. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 15, 1897.

## Chapter 344.

An Act to amend Chapter two hundred and seven of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to the Vinalhaven Telegraph and Telephone Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 1, chapter 207, private laws, 1895, amended.

Sect. 1. Section one of chapter two hundred and seven of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, is hereby amended by striking out of said section the names of 'E. P. Walker' and 'J. P. Armburst.'

Section 2, amended.

Sect. 2. Section two of said act is hereby amended by striking out all of said section and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Sect. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized to construct, own, maintain and operate lines of telegraph and telephone between Vinalhaven and any or all of the islands in Penobscot bay and the city of Rockland in Knox county, or any of the other cities or towns on the main land, and to maintain and operate said lines in and through said islands and said cities and towns upon all the streets and ways thereof, and to lay cables under tide waters, but in such manner as not to incommode, obstruct or endanger the customary public use thereof. In order to connect with said cables and to establish connections between said islands and the city of Rockland, and other towns, the said company is hereby authorized to erect poles and to stretch wires upon them, and to build, maintain and operate its lines upon or along any public highway, railroad bridge, or private land that it may hereafter find necessary or convenient to accomplish the purposes aforesaid, and it may lay pipes or other conduits beneath the surface of any street or highway, for the purpose of placing its wires under ground, but in such manner as not to unnecessarily incommode or endanger the customary public use thereof, first having obtained consent therefor of the municipal officers of any city or town in which it is to operate or to construct said line and the consent of the officers of any railroad on which it is proposed to build its lines; with the right to cut down trees and remove obstructions when necessary, within the limits aforesaid, excepting ornamental, fruit and shade trees; and with the power to collect tolls on such line or lines.'

Corporation authorized to construct lines of telegraph.

—to erect poles and operate lines upon highways, etc.

—remove obstructions.

—tolls.

Sect. 3. Section three is hereby amended by striking out all of said section and inserting in place thereof the following:

—Section 3, amended.

'Sect. 3. If the land of any individual or corporation is taken under this act, and the parties cannot agree on the damage occasioned thereby, it shall be taken and damages estimated, secured and paid in the manner provided in the case of land taken for railroads.'

Damages, how estimated.

Sect. 5. Section five is hereby amended by striking out all of said section and inserting in place thereof the following:

Section 5, amended.

'Sect. 5. The capital stock of the company shall be fifteen thousand dollars, but the corporation may hereafter from time to time increase the same by a majority vote of the stockholders, whenever it shall be deemed necessary, and the said corporation may purchase, hold, sell, lease and convey all real and personal property necessary for the purposes contemplated in this act.'

Capital stock.

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added.Charter ex-  
tended.

Sect. 6. Said chapter is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

'Sect. 8. The time for the organization and the commencement of actual business under this charter is extended for the term of two years from the date when this act takes effect.'

Sect. 7. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 16, 1897.

**Chapter 345.**

An Act to authorize the Maine Central Railroad Company, its successors and assigns, to construct and maintain a wharf and boat house in Lake Maranocook in the towns of Readfield and Winthrop.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Maine Central Railroad Company, authorized to construct a wharf in Lake Maranocook.

Sect. 1. The Maine Central Railroad Company, a corporation established by law, its successors and assigns, are hereby authorized and empowered to construct, maintain and control a wharf extending into the waters of Lake Maranocook, in the towns of Readfield and Winthrop, not exceeding seventy-five feet, and extending southerly twelve hundred feet from the face of the abutment of said railroad company's railroad bridge on the westerly shore of said Lake Maranocook, and along the shore by land leased by said railroad company of Mark A. Collins for excursion purposes; and to construct, maintain and control a boat house over or in said waters, of such dimensions as it shall deem proper.

Excursionists may use wharf and landings.

Sect. 2. This act shall not be construed to prevent persons or boats from going to said wharf, and moorings and landings, who do not solicit or receive people or passengers at said wharf who have been transported by the Maine Central Railroad Company as excursionists to said wharf and excursion grounds as specially advertised excursionists.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 16, 1897.

**Chapter 346.**

An Act to amend the charter of the City of Westbrook.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Chapter four hundred and eighty-six, of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Westbrook," is hereby amended according to the provisions of the following sections.

Chapter 486,  
private  
laws, 1889,  
amended.

Sect. 2. The general management and control of the public schools and of the school property, including school buildings and grounds in said city, shall continue to be vested in a school committee, to consist of seven members, instead of ten as provided in said act. Said school committee shall be elected by ballot by a plurality of the votes given, two members from the citizens at large by the legal voters of the city voting in their respective wards; and of the other five members, one shall be elected by each ward, being an inhabitant of the ward where elected. They shall hold their offices for the term of three years from the second Monday in March, and until others are elected and qualified in their places, except as hereinafter provided. At the annual election in March, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, said school committee shall be elected as follows; one member from ward one and one member from the citizens at large, for one year; one member each from wards two and five, for two years; one member each from wards three and four, and one member from the citizens at large, for three years; and as these terms expire the subsequent elections shall be for the full term of three years as above provided. All vacancies occurring in the school committee by death, resignation or removal from the city, shall be filled by appointment for the unexpired term by the remaining members; and if any such vacancy shall occur by the death, resignation or removal from the city of a member elected by a ward, the same shall be filled from the ward where it occurs.

Manage-  
ment of  
schools  
vested in a  
school com-  
mittee.

—how  
elected.

—tenure.

—when  
elected.

—vacan-  
cies.

Sect. 3. If from any cause there shall be a vacancy in the office of warden or ward clerk in any of the wards of the city, the same shall be filled by appointment by the mayor for the unexpired term.

Vacan-  
cies in of-  
fice of  
warden or  
clerk, how  
filled.

Sect. 4. A vacancy occurring in the city council by the death, resignation or removal from the city of any member thereof, shall be filled for the unexpired term by a plurality vote

Vacan-  
cies in city  
council,  
how filled.

**CHAP. 347** of the remaining members, voting by roll call. And if such vacancy be occasioned by the death, resignation or removal from the city of a member elected by a ward, the same shall be filled from the ward where it occurs.

Inconsis-  
tent acts,  
repealed.

Sect. 5. All provisions of the act hereby amended which are inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed.

When act  
shall take  
effect.

Sect. 6. So far as relates to the number of the school committee and the manner of their election, this act shall take effect March one, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight; otherwise it shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 16, 1897.

### Chapter 347.

An Act authorizing the construction of a wharf into the tide waters of Casco Bay, and bridges over tide water, in the Town of Harpswell.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Benj.  
Thomp-  
son, et als.,  
author-  
ized to  
erect  
wharf.

Sect. 1. Benjamin Thompson and his assigns, as the owners of Little Whaleboat Island, situated in the town of Harpswell, in the county of Cumberland, are hereby authorized to erect and maintain in the tide waters of Casco bay, a wharf off the northerly end of said island, suitable for the landing of steamers, and to erect and maintain bridges from the large island to the small islands on the easterly and westerly sides thereof.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 16, 1897.

### Chapter 348.

An Act concerning the Portland and Rumford Falls Railway and the Rumford Falls and Buckfield Railroad Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Transfer of  
Rumford  
Falls and  
Buckfield  
Railroad,  
made valid.

Sect. 1. The sale and transfer, from the Rumford Falls and Buckfield Railroad Company to the Portland and Rumford Falls Railway, of the railroad, franchises and property of the Rumford Falls and Buckfield Railroad Company is approved and affirmed as legal and valid.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 16, 1897.

**Chapter 349.**

**An Act to ratify and make valid the doings of the First Baptist Society of New Gloucester, and to authorize the sale of its meetinghouse and lot.**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The doings of the First Baptist Society of New Gloucester, in the sale of their parsonage and meetinghouse bell are hereby ratified and made valid.

Doings of  
First Baptist  
society of New  
Gloucester,  
made  
valid.

Sect. 2. Said First Baptist Society is hereby authorized to sell and convey its meetinghouse and the meetinghouse lot to the Maine Baptist Missionary Convention, for such sum as may be agreed upon, said convention to hold the principal of such purchase price in trust until the same may be required for the use and benefit of a Baptist church and society in New Gloucester, and the said convention may determine when it is expedient to so use said principal sum, and in the meantime shall have the income thereof.

Society au-  
thorized to  
sell meet-  
ing house.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 16, 1887.

**Chapter 350.**

**An Act authorizing and empowering the Katahdin Pulp and Paper Company to erect and maintain piers and booms in the Penobscot River.**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The Katahdin Pulp and Paper Company, a corporation existing under the laws of Maine, its successors and assigns, are hereby authorized and empowered to locate, erect, and maintain in the Penobscot river, between a line drawn across the Penobscot river at the head of Mattanawcook island, so called, and a line drawn across said river at the head of Hersey island, so called, in said towns of Lincoln and Chester, piers and booms for the purpose of collecting, holding, separating and sorting out logs, pulp wood and other lumber coming down said Penobscot river. Provided, however, that at least two sorting gaps are constructed, maintained and used for the passage of logs, pulp wood and other lumber through said booms. Said piers and booms shall be so located, constructed, main-

Company  
authorized  
to erect  
piers and  
booms in  
Penobscot  
river.

—sorting  
gaps shall  
be main-  
tained.

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—passage  
of lumber  
shall not be  
impeded.

—stray logs,  
how dis-  
posed of.

Separating  
and sorting  
lumber  
coming  
down river,  
shall not  
be delayed.

—company  
not liable  
for delay.

Appoint-  
ment and  
duty of  
agent, to  
take ac-  
count of  
lumber de-  
tained.

tained and used that logs and lumber running down said river, belonging to other parties, and not destined for use and manufacture at the mills of said company, its successors and assigns, shall not be unreasonably impeded or delayed, and such logs and lumber of other parties, when stopped for sorting, shall be turned by as soon as they can be practicably sorted out and separated from logs and lumber destined for use and manufacture at said mills, and any stray logs, pulp wood and other lumber not destined for use and manufacture at the mills of said company, if found in the booms of said company, shall be turned out thereof by said company, upon demand of the owner or owners thereof in writing, at its own charge and expense.

Sect. 2. Said Katahdin Pulp and Paper Company, its successors and assigns, by aid of such piers and booms, are hereby authorized and empowered to separate and sort out from the logs, pulp wood and other lumber coming down said river, all logs, pulp wood and other lumber destined and intended for use and manufacture at the mills of said company. Provided, however, if upon approach of the rear of any drive of logs to the booms of said company herein authorized to be constructed and maintained, it shall appear to the person in charge of such drive that said company has not sufficient men to sort and turn by the logs arriving at said booms, so that such drive may be unreasonably impeded or delayed, such person, upon notice to said company in writing left at its office, shall have the right to put men of his own selection upon said booms, to expedite the sorting and turning by of the logs in such drive, who shall be paid by said Katahdin Pulp and Paper Company. And the additional cost, if any, of making such drive through said booms in consequence of said erections and piers of said pulp company shall be paid by said pulp company. But nothing herein contained shall make said company liable for any delay caused by said piers and booms. And said company is also hereby authorized and empowered to hold within the piers and booms mentioned in this act, and located, erected and maintained as aforesaid, all logs, pulp wood and other lumber coming down said Penobscot river, which are destined and intended for use and manufacture at the mills of said company.

Sect. 3. An account of all logs, pulp wood and other lumber detained and held within the booms of said company shall be taken by an agent to be selected jointly by said pulp company and the president of the Penobscot Lumber Association, who



on the first day of each month shall make return upon oath to the clerk of said association at Bangor, of all logs, pulp wood and other lumber scaled for said company during the month next preceding, designating the number of pieces and the marks thereon, which return shall be placed upon file in the office of said association in Bangor, and shall at all times be open to the inspection of all persons interested in timber lands upon or in the driving of logs down the Penobscot river, or any of its tributaries, said agent shall receive a compensation of not exceeding two dollars per day, which shall be paid one-half by said Katahdin Pulp and Paper Company and one-half by said association.

—compensation.

Sect. 4. Said Katahdin Pulp and Paper Company, its successors and assigns, may enter upon, take and hold such lands as may be necessary for the location, erection and maintenance of the piers and booms mentioned in this act, and connecting the same with the shores, and may, with their agents and teams, pass and repass over said shores and to and from the same, over the lands of other persons, for the purposes aforesaid, and for the operation and management of said piers and booms. Making compensation therefor as provided in case of damage for lands taken in laying out highways.

Company may take land.

—damages, how ascertained.

Sect. 5. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 16, 1897.

## Chapter 351.

An Act authorizing and empowering the Ashland Manufacturing Company to erect and maintain piers and booms in the Aroostook River.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The Ashland Manufacturing Company, a corporation existing under the laws of Maine, its successors and assigns, are hereby authorized and empowered to locate, erect and maintain in the Aroostook river, between their dam as at present located, in Sheridan plantation, in the county of Aroostook, and the mouth of the Saint Croix stream in the town of Masardis in said county, piers and booms for the purpose of collecting, holding, separating and sorting out logs, pulp wood and other lumber coming down said Aroostook river as hereinafter provided. Said piers and booms shall be so located, constructed, main-

Company authorized to maintain piers and booms, in Aroostook river.

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—shall not  
impede  
navigation.

—stray logs  
shall be  
turned out  
of booms.

May boom  
all logs, on  
request of  
owners.

—tolls.

Separat-  
ing and  
sorting of  
lumber  
coming  
down the  
river.

May take  
land.

—dama-  
ges, how  
ascertained.

tained and used as not to impede navigation or to unreasonably obstruct the common use of said river or to unreasonably delay logs and lumber running down said river, belonging to other parties, and not destined for use and manufacture at the mills of said company, its successors or assigns; and any stray logs, pulp wood and other lumber not destined for use and manufacture at the mills of said company, if found in the booms of said company, shall be turned out thereof by said company, upon demand of the owner or owners thereof in writing, at its own charge and expense.

Sect. 2. Said Ashland Manufacturing Company may boom and hold all logs, pulp wood and other lumber which may come within its piers and booms mentioned in this act, whenever the owners thereof shall request it, in writing, so to do, and it may demand, collect and receive, as a compensation therefor, a toll of fifty cents for each and every thousand feet so boomed and held.

Sect. 3. Said Ashland Manufacturing Company, its successors and assigns, by aid of such piers and booms, are hereby authorized and empowered to separate and sort out from the logs, pulp wood and other lumber coming down said river, all logs, pulp wood and other lumber destined and intended for use and manufacture at the mills of said company. And said company is also hereby authorized and empowered to hold within the piers and booms mentioned in this act, and located, erected and maintained as aforesaid, all logs, pulp wood and other lumber coming down said Aroostook river, which are destined and intended for use and manufacture at the mills of said company erected upon said river.

Sect. 4. Said Ashland Manufacturing Company, its successors and assigns, may enter upon, take and hold such lands as may be necessary for the location, erection and maintenance of the piers and booms mentioned in this act, and connecting the same with the shores, and may, with their agents and teams, pass and repass over said shores, and to and from the same, over the lands of other persons, for the purposes aforesaid, and for the operation and management of said piers and booms. Making compensation therefor as provided in case of damage for lands taken in laying out highways.

Sect. 5. This act shall take effect when approved.

**Chapter 352.**

An Act extending the charter of the Bangor Boom Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The charter of the Bangor Boom Company, with all the rights and privileges and all the responsibilities attaching to said company by virtue of the several acts creating, extending and relating thereto, shall continue and remain in force for twenty years from March, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, provided, however, that said company shall receive as toll ten cents for each thousand feet, in lieu of twenty cents as provided in chapter seventy-five of the special laws of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-one, in the case therein provided of the work of driving and rafting being done by one contractor, as now done.

Charter extended.

—tolls.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 16, 1897.

**Chapter 353.**

An Act to amend the charter of the City of Augusta.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The city marshal of the city of Augusta shall be appointed by and hold office during the pleasure of the mayor. The city marshal first to be appointed hereunder shall be so appointed within thirty days after this section takes effect and the tenure of office of the city marshal then in office shall thereupon cease. He shall perform all the duties now required by the charter and ordinances of said city, or as the same may be hereafter amended.

City marshal, appointment and tenure.

Sect. 2. The mayor of said city shall appoint all the police officers thereof. Such police force shall consist of such number of regular policemen and special policemen as the city council shall from time to time determine. The regular police officers shall be under the direction of the city marshal and shall perform such police duty as he may require of them, by day or by night; and the marshal may employ one or more of said regular police as a night watch for such periods of time and upon such beats

Mayor shall appoint all police officers.

—number shall be fixed by city council.

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—shall not  
be all of  
one politi-  
cal party.

—tenure.

—appoint-  
ment of  
special po-  
lice.

—may be  
removed by  
mayor.

—when  
council  
shall fix  
number of  
police.

—may  
regulate  
number of  
officers.

Mayor  
shall ap-  
point city  
solicitor.

—tenure.

—duties.

Mayor  
shall ap-  
point over-  
seer of  
poor.

—tenure.

as he may appoint. Not more than a majority of said regular police officers shall at any one time be members of the same political party. Such regular police officers shall hold office during good behavior and until removed as herein provided. The special police officers to be first appointed hereunder shall be appointed by the mayor within thirty days after this section takes effect and thereafterwards annually on the third Monday of March or as soon thereafter as conveniently may be. When said regular or special police officers shall be so first appointed hereunder the terms of all such police officers then in office shall thereupon cease. Any such regular or special police officer, so appointed, may be removed by the mayor for such cause as he shall deem sufficient and shall assign in his order of removal, and the removals shall take effect upon the filing of the order therefor in the office of the city clerk, and the service, of a copy of such order upon the officer removed, either personally or at his last or usual place of residence. The city clerk shall keep such order on file and subject to inspection. Within thirty days after this section takes effect the city council shall fix and determine the number of regular and special police officers of said city, and the mayor shall thereupon make all appointments herein required. The city council may regulate the number of said officers from time to time as the interests of the city may require, and when such members shall be reduced the mayor shall designate the vacancies so caused.

Sect. 3. The city solicitor of said city shall be annually appointed by the mayor. The city solicitor so to be first appointed hereunder shall be so appointed within thirty days after this section shall take effect and thereafterwards annually on the third Monday of March, or as soon thereafter as conveniently may be, and with such first appointment the term of office of the city solicitor then in office shall thereupon cease. He shall perform all the duties now required by the charter and ordinances of said city, or as the same may be hereafter amended.

Sect. 4. The mayor of said city shall, within thirty days after this section takes effect, appoint one overseer of the poor, who shall hold his office until the third Monday in March, in the year nineteen hundred; and thereafterwards, except to fill vacancies, the mayor shall, triennially, appoint on the third Monday in March, or as soon thereafter as conveniently may be, such officer for a term of three years. Such officer, so

appointed, shall perform such duties as may be prescribed by the city council, and shall in general do and perform all the duties and exercise all the powers incumbent upon or vested in overseers of the poor by law. When such overseer shall be so first appointed hereunder, the term of office of all overseers of the poor in said city then in office shall thereupon cease. Such overseer may be removed by the mayor and aldermen after notice and hearing by majority vote. He shall not be directly or indirectly interested in any contract for or furnishing of any pauper supplies and for a violation of this provision he shall be removed from office and, if so removed, he shall thereafterwards be ineligible for the same office. The fuel, provisions, supplies and such other articles as the nature of the case will admit, purchased for use at the city almshouse and the farm connected therewith, shall be obtained by said overseer upon annual contracts made in writing, and filed with the city clerk, after notice for proposals therefor published in at least two newspapers in said city representing different political parties, such contracts to be awarded to the lowest responsible bidders therefor, reserving, however, the right to reject any or all bids and to advertise anew.

—removal.

—supplies shall be purchased on contracts.

Sect. 5. The care, construction, repair and maintenance of all the streets, roads, ways and bridges in said city is hereby vested in a board of commissioners to be known as highway commissioners. Within thirty days after this section takes effect, the mayor shall appoint three such commissioners, whose terms of office shall expire respectively in one, two and three years from the third Monday of March, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and ninety-seven. And annually thereafter the mayor, on the third Monday of March, or as soon thereafter as conveniently may be, shall appoint one such commissioner for a term of three years. In case of a vacancy a like appointment shall be made for the unexpired term thereof. Not more than two members of said board shall be members of the same political party. They shall designate one of their number to act as chairman and another to act as secretary. The secretary shall keep a full record of all of the doings of said board, which record shall at all times be open to public inspection, and he shall make report thereof to the city council quarterly, or as much oftener as ordered, of the work completed or in process of completion, and said city council shall have power to inquire into the action of said commissioners at all times and to require

Highway commissioners shall be appointed by mayor.

—tenure.

—vacancy, how filled.

—shall not all be of same political party.

—chairman.

—secretary and duties.

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—shall hold  
monthly  
sessions.

—compen-  
sation.

—superin-  
tendent,  
qualifica-  
tion, dut-  
ies, and  
compensa-  
tion.

—powers  
and duties  
of board.

—material  
shall be  
purchased  
on con-  
tracts.

of them a full explanation of their doings. They shall be furnished a room by the city where all their records and accounts shall be kept. They shall hold public sessions at least once a month at regular times, at which interested parties may be heard. The secretary shall receive one hundred dollars in full for his service and the other commissioners shall serve without pay. They shall appoint a superintendent of streets who shall be a practical road builder, and who, under the direction of said board, shall perform all the duties incumbent upon the present street commissioners of said city, which offices are hereby abolished, and fix his compensation, which shall not exceed the sum now paid to the two street commissioners of said city. The said board shall have sole charge of the maintenance and repair, according to law, of all streets and public ways in said city of Augusta, including sidewalks and bridges, and of all public sewers and drains, and of the construction, maintenance and repair of all culverts and catch basins hereafter authorized by the city councils; shall have sole charge of the methods of construction and of the construction of all new sewers, streets, sidewalks or bridges hereafter laid out and ordered to be constructed by the city council; shall regulate and control the erection and maintenance of all posts and wires for purposes of electricity; shall establish regulations, and enforce the same, see that the use of said streets by public corporations shall not injure the pavements, grades or construction thereof, or of any municipal structure therein, and shall take general care of all property belonging to the city which pertains to their duties. They are authorized to purchase everything necessary or convenient to conduct the business of their department, to employ all assistants, foremen and laborers, necessary therefor, provided, however, that no indebtedness by contract or otherwise, shall be incurred in excess of the appropriations first voted by the city council and for any violation of this provision they shall be removed from office and thereafter be ineligible to the same. Whenever they shall find it to be more economical to cause any part of their work, for furnishing labor or materials, to be done by private contract, they may make such contracts as hereinafter authorized. All purchases of material exceeding one hundred dollars in amount, shall be made in writing, after notice for proposals therefor published in at least two newspapers in said city representing different political parties, such contracts to be awarded to the lowest

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responsible bidder, and all private contracts above authorized shall be so made. They may reserve the right to reject any and all bids and to advertise anew. The city council shall annually appropriate such sums of money as they deem necessary and sufficient for the purposes of said commissioners, not less than three mills upon the valuation of the city for each municipal year, as fixed by the assessors thereof for such year. Such appropriations shall be credited by the city treasurer to said highway commission and he shall pay therefrom all orders thereon drawn by the secretary, and countersigned by the chairman, specifying the appropriation out of which payment is to be made. Annually at the organization of the city council of said city, or as soon thereafter as may be, the mayor shall appoint two members of the board of aldermen, both of whom shall not be members of the same political party, if more than one party is represented in said board, and the president of the common council shall appoint two members of the common council, under like restrictions, who shall, with the mayor, ex-officio, who shall be chairman of said committee, constitute a committee to be called the committee on public works. Said committee shall at the end of every month audit all accounts of said commissioners and make monthly reports to the city council of the progress of the work and of the accounts audited.

—appropriations for.

—committee of public works, appointment and qualification.

—duties.

The city council may from time to time subject to the provisions of this section, and in accordance with the general laws delegate to said commissioners such additional administrative powers and duties, consistent with the purposes hereof, as the city council may by ordinance determine. No member of such commission shall be directly or indirectly interested in the expenditure of any moneys in said department; any such contract shall be null and void and the offending member shall be summarily removed and be thereafter ineligible to such office.

—additional duties may be imposed city council.

—members shall not be interested in expenditures.

Sect. 6. The said city is authorized to take and hold real and personal estate, necessary or proper for municipal purposes, not exceeding in aggregate at any one time one hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

City may hold real and personal estate.

Sect. 7. Sections one, two, three, four and five of this act shall not be binding upon said city until accepted by vote of the legal voters thereof as herein provided. Said sections shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the city of Augusta for their acceptance at their annual municipal election in March

When certain sections shall take effect.

—shall be submitted to voters.

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—meetings  
for submis-  
sion.

—sections  
only re-  
ceiving en-  
dorsement  
of voters,  
shall take  
effect.

Inconsis-  
tent acts,  
repealed.

When act  
shall take  
effect.

in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, or at an election to be specially called and held for the purpose within thirty days after the approval of this act, as the city council of said city may by majority vote determine. Such election, if a special one, shall be called, advertised and conducted according to the law relating to municipal elections. The city clerk shall reduce the subject matter of each section so to be submitted to plain and concise questions so that the voter may indicate by a cross placed against the words "yes" or "no" his opinion on each of the same. Such of the sections so submitted as shall receive the affirmative endorsement of the majority of the qualified voters voting upon the same at such special or annual elections shall thereupon be of full force and effect and otherwise of no force or effect. The result shall be declared by the mayor and aldermen, and due certificate thereof filed by the city clerk with the secretary of state.

Sect. 8. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent hereunto are hereby repealed, and all provisions of the charter and all ordinances of the city of Augusta inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed and declared inoperative and of no effect. But this repeal shall take effect as to the subjects matter covered by sections one, two, three, four and five, only when and so far as those sections are finally adopted by the people as provided in section seven.

Sect. 9. Except as qualified by sections seven and eight, this act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 16, 1897.



**Chapter 354.**

An Act authorizing the Ashland Manufacturing Company to erect dams and make improvements upon the Big Machias River in the County of Aroostook.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The Ashland Manufacturing Company, a corporation existing under the laws of Maine, its successors and assigns, are hereby authorized and empowered to build dams, side dams, piers, remove rocks, and make all other necessary improvements on the Big Machias river, so called, in the county of Aroostook, to facilitate the driving of logs and other lumber down said river. And for this purpose, said company is hereby authorized and empowered to take land and material necessary to build said dams and piers and make such improvements, and may flow contiguous lands so far as necessary to raise suitable heads of water. And in case said company cannot agree with the owner or owners as to the amount of damages, either for lands and material so taken or for damage occasioned by flowing land, such damages shall be determined by the county commissioners of the county of Aroostook, in the same manner as damages are assessed for the location and laying out of highways, as provided in chapter eighteen of the revised statutes and acts amendatory thereof.

Company  
authorized  
to build  
dams, and  
piers.

—may take  
land.

—dam-  
ages, how  
deter-  
mined.

Sect. 2. Said company may demand and receive a toll for the passage of logs over said dams of fifteen cents per thousand feet, board measure, wood scale. And said company shall have a lien upon all logs which may pass over its said dams, for the payment of said toll; but the logs of each particular mark shall be holden only for the unpaid toll of such mark and unless such toll is paid, said company may seize said logs at any time before they shall have arrived at the easterly line of the state of Maine, separating said state from the province of New Brunswick, and sell at public auction so many thereof as shall be necessary to pay said toll, costs and charges. Notice of the time and place of such sale shall be given ten days before said sale, in some newspaper printed in said county of Aroostook.

Tolls.

—shall have  
lien on  
logs.

—how en-  
forced.

—notice of  
sale.

Sect. 3. When said company shall from tolls be reimbursed for its expenditures thereon, and six per cent annual interest upon all such amounts expended, all tolls shall cease. And said company shall keep an accurate account of all its receipts and expenditures relative to the improvements upon said river

When tolls  
shall cease.

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authorized by this act, which shall at all times be open to the inspection of all persons interested in timber lands or in lumbering on said Big Machias river.

Sect. 4. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 17, 1897.

**Chapter 355.**

An Act authorizing and empowering the Piscataquis Falls Pulp and Paper Company to erect and maintain piers and booms in the Penobscot River.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Company  
authorized  
to erect  
piers and  
booms in  
Penobscot  
river.

—sorting  
gaps shall  
be main-  
tained.

—shall not  
impede  
naviga-  
tion.

—logs of  
other par-  
ties shall  
be turned  
out as soon  
as practi-  
cable.

May sepa-  
rate and  
sort its  
own lum-  
ber.

Sect. 1. The Piscataquis Falls Pulp and Paper Company, a corporation existing under the laws of Maine, its successors and assigns, are hereby authorized and empowered to locate, erect, and maintain in the Penobscot river, between the dam of said company as at present located, in the towns of Enfield and Howland, and a line drawn across the Penobscot river at the head of Mahockanock island, so called, in the towns of Lincoln and Mattamiscontis, piers and booms for the purpose of collecting, holding, separating and sorting out logs, pulp woods and other lumber coming down said Penobscot river. Provided, however, that at least two sorting gaps are constructed, maintained and used for the passage of logs, pulp wood and other lumber through said booms. Said piers and booms shall be so located, constructed, maintained and used that logs and lumber running down said river, belonging to other parties, and not destined for use and manufacture at the mills of said company, its successors and assigns, shall not be unreasonably impeded or delayed, and such logs and lumber of other parties, when stopped for sorting, shall be turned by as soon as they can be practicably sorted out and separated from logs and lumber destined for use and manufacture at said mills, and any stray logs, pulp wood and other lumber not destined for use and manufacture at the mills of said company, if found in the booms of said company, shall be turned out thereof by said company, upon demand of the owner or owners thereof in writing, at its own charge and expense.

Sect. 2. Said Piscataquis Falls Pulp and Paper Company, its successors and assigns, by aid of such piers and booms, are

hereby authorized and empowered to separate and sort out from the logs, pulp wood and other lumber coming down said river, all logs, pulp wood and other lumber destined and intended for use and manufacture at the mills of said company. Provided, however, if upon approach of the rear of any drive of logs to the booms of said company herein authorized to be constructed and maintained, it shall appear to the person in charge of such drive that said company has not sufficient men to sort and turn by the logs arriving at said booms, so that such drive may be unreasonably impeded or delayed, such person, upon notice to said company in writing left at its office, shall have the right to put men of his own selection upon said booms, to expedite the sorting and turning by of the logs in such drive, who shall be paid by said Piscataquis Falls Pulp and Paper Company. And the additional cost, if any, of making such drive through said booms in consequence of said erections and piers of said pulp company shall be paid by said pulp company. But nothing herein contained shall make said company liable for any delay caused by said piers and booms. And said company is also hereby authorized and empowered to hold within the piers and booms mentioned in this act, and located, erected and maintained as aforesaid, all logs, pulp wood and other lumber coming down said Penobscot river, which are destined and intended for use and manufacture at the mills of said company.

—separating and sorting lumber of other persons, shall not be delayed.

—cost of sorting, how paid.

—company not liable for any delay.

Sect. 3. An account of all logs, pulp wood and other lumber detained and held within the booms of said company shall be taken by an agent to be selected jointly by said pulp company and the president of the Penobscot Lumber Association, who on the first day of each month shall make return upon oath to the clerk of said association at Bangor, of all logs, pulp wood and other lumber scaled for said company during the month next preceding, designating the number of pieces and the marks thereon, which return shall be placed upon file in the office of said association in Bangor, and shall at all times be open to the inspection of all persons interested in timber lands upon or in the driving of logs down the Penobscot river, or any of its tributaries, said agent shall receive a compensation of not exceeding two dollars per day, which shall be paid one-half by said Piscataquis Falls Pulp and Paper Company and one-half by said association.

Appointment and duty of agent to take account of lumber detained.

—compensation.

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Company  
may take  
land.

—damages,  
how ascer-  
tained.

Sect. 4. Said Piscataquis Falls Pulp and Paper Company, its successors and assigns, may enter upon, take and hold such lands as may be necessary for the location, erection and maintenance of the piers and booms mentioned in this act, and connecting the same with the shores, and may, with their agents and teams, pass and repass over said shores and to and from the same, over the lands of other persons, for the purposes aforesaid, and for the operation and management of said piers and booms. Making compensation therefor as provided in case of damage for lands taken in laying out highways.

Sect. 5. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 17, 1897.

### Chapter 356.

An Act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the Aroostook River and its tributaries, above the mouth of Beaver Brook.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Throwing  
of slabs,  
etc., into  
the Aroos-  
took river  
in Sheridan  
planta-  
tion, for-  
bidden.

—deposit-  
ing of  
waste upon  
banks so  
same shall  
fall into  
river, for-  
bidden.

—penalty.

Sect. 1. No person or persons shall cast or throw into the Aroostook river, or into any of its tributaries above the mouth of Beaver brook, in Sheridan plantation, in the county of Aroostook, from any steam or water power saw mill, any slabs, edgings, sawdust, chips, bark, mill waste, or any shavings or fibrous material created by the manufacturing of shingles, or shall place, pile, or deposit on the banks of said Aroostook river or its tributaries above the mouth of said brook, any slabs, edgings, sawdust, chips, bark, mill waste, or any shavings or fibrous material created by the manufacturing of shingles, in such negligent or careless manner that the same shall fall or be washed into said river, or its tributaries above the mouth of said brook, whereby the driving of logs or lumber down said river may become impeded or injuriously affected, or which shall tend to impede or injuriously affect the driving of logs or lumber down said river, or fill up or obstruct, or tend to fill up or obstruct the canal or wheel race of any manufacturing establishment upon said river, or any boom of logs upon said river above the mouth of said brook, or which shall damage or injuriously affect, or tend to damage or injuriously affect, the booming of logs upon said river, under a penalty for each

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offense, if the quantity shall not exceed five cords, of not less than five nor more than twenty dollars. If the quantity cast or thrown in, or that shall fall or be washed in as aforesaid, at one or different times, shall exceed five cords in all, under a penalty of not less than twenty nor more than five hundred dollars; provided, however, that this act shall not apply to sawdust made by gang saws, main rotaries nor up and down saws of any kind, in water mills, now in use on said river above said dam.

—proviso.

Sect. 2. All the penalties under the provisions of the foregoing section, shall be recovered by complaint or indictment before any court having jurisdiction in like offenses, or by action of debt before any court having competent jurisdiction, for the benefit of the county where the offense was committed.

Penalties,  
how re-  
covered.

Sect. 3. If the offense or offenses forbidden in the first section of this act, shall be committed by any person or persons who may be in the employ of any mill owner or owners, mill occupant or occupants, such owner or owners, occupant or occupants, shall also be liable in the same penalties, recoverable in the same manner as hereinbefore provided.

Mill own-  
ers re-  
sponsible  
for acts of  
employees.

Approved February 17, 1897.

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**Chapter 357.**

An Act to extend the charter of the Castine Railway and Navigation Company, and to amend its charter and certain additions thereto.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The Castine Railway and Navigation Company is hereby granted an extension of two years from and after the approval of this act in which to avail itself of the rights, powers, privileges and immunities heretofore granted to said company by the legislature. Provided, however, that nothing contained in this act shall be construed as in any manner extending, reviving or continuing any of the rights, powers or privileges heretofore granted to the Penobscot Central Railroad, nor any such rights, powers or privileges heretofore acquired by said Castine Railway and Navigation Company by lease or conveyance from said Penobscot Central Railroad.

Charter ex-  
tended for  
two years.—act shall  
not revive  
rights of  
Penobscot  
Central  
Railroad.

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Charter of  
Castine  
and Bangor  
Railroad  
Company,  
amended.

Sect. 2. Section one of chapter one hundred and thirty-eight of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Castine and Bangor Railroad Company," is hereby amended by inserting after the word "Castine," in the fourth line of the last sentence of said section, the words 'and Brooksville.'

Section 15,  
repealed.

Sect. 3. Said chapter one hundred and thirty-eight is hereby amended by striking out all of section fifteen.

Section 3,  
chapter 543,  
private  
laws, 1889,  
amended.

Sect. 4. Section three of chapter five hundred and forty-three of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, is hereby amended by adding to said section the following words, 'and the towns of Bluehill and Surry, and to some point on the west side of Union river in the city of Ellsworth.'

Sect. 5. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 18, 1897.

### Chapter 358.

An Act authorizing the City of Lewiston to refund a part of its debt.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

City of  
Lewiston  
authorized  
to issue  
bonds.

Sect. 1. To meet its bonds now outstanding and maturing in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, the city of Lewiston is authorized to issue bonds to an amount not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars, payable at a period, or periods not exceeding thirty years after the date thereof, and bearing interest at a rate not exceeding four per cent per annum, payable semi-annually. Said bonds shall be issued under the seal of the city and shall be signed by the mayor and treasurer of the city, and the coupons attached to said bonds shall be signed by the city treasurer.

—when  
payable.

—rate of  
interest.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 18, 1897.

**Chapter 359.**

An Act to divide the Town of Deer Isle, and incorporate the Town of Stonington.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. All that part of the town of Deer Isle in the county of Hancock and state of Maine, lying southerly of the following described lines, namely: Beginning at the center of Warren's bridge at South East Harbor, thence over the waters of Holt's pond westerly to the head of tide waters in said pond, at the southwesterly corner of lot number twenty-three, as shown on Peters' plan of said Deer Isle, at a granite post marked 'L;' thence northerly by lots numbered twenty-three and twenty-six to the Stephen Babbidge one hundred acre lot; thence by said Babbidge lot and common land southwesterly to the shore of George's pond; thence by the shore of said pond northwesterly to the southeasterly corner of the Samuel Small one hundred acre lot; thence by said Small's lot northerly seventy rods to the northeast corner of said lot; thence by said lot southwesterly to the head of Crockett's cove; thence by the thread of said cove southwesterly to the waters of Penobscot bay; together with all islands now belonging to the town of Deer Isle, lying southerly of said line extended westerly over the waters of Penobscot bay, and easterly through the waters of South East Harbor, leaving Bray's mountain and Stinson's neck on the north, and Whitmore's neck on the south, together with the inhabitants thereof, is incorporated into a separate town by the name of Stonington, and said town of Stonington is hereby invested with all the powers and privileges and subjected to all the duties and obligations incident to other towns of the state.

Sect. 2. All taxes now due shall be paid to the town of Deer Isle. And the several collectors of taxes for said town of Deer Isle are hereby authorized and required to collect and pay all taxes to them already committed according to their respective warrants. All moneys now in the treasury of said town of Deer Isle, and all sums which shall hereafter be received from taxes heretofore assessed, shall be applied to the several purposes for which they were raised, and in case of any excess, said excess shall be applied by the treasurer of Deer Isle in payment of the indebtedness of said town of Deer Isle; and any excess then

Town of  
Deer Isle,  
divided.

—bounds.

New town  
of Ston-  
ington.

All taxes  
now due  
shall be  
paid to  
town of  
Deer Isle.

—how  
moneys in  
treasury  
shall be  
disposed  
of.

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remaining shall be divided between the town of Deer Isle and the town of Stonington in proportion to the valuation of their respective territories.

Existing  
liabilities, how  
divided.

Sect. 3. The existing liabilities and obligations of the town of Deer Isle shall be divided as follows: The town debt, if any, shall be borne by said towns in proportion to the valuation of their respective territories, as taken by the assessors in April eighteen hundred and ninety-six; and they shall continue to pay the same proportion of the state and county taxes assessed upon the present town of Deer Isle, until a separate valuation shall be made by the state assessors. All paupers now supported or aided by the town of Deer Isle, and all persons that may hereafter fall in distress or become paupers, shall, after the approval of this act, be maintained and supported by the town in whose territory they resided when they became paupers. Except those now supported in the insane asylum, the support of whom shall be borne by the two towns in proportion to their respective valuation. All expenses for support and maintenance of minors, under the laws of the state, committed to the industrial and reform schools, shall henceforth be borne by the town in whose territory they resided at the time of their arrest or commitment. Each town shall henceforth bear all expenses for the support of schools and the care and maintenance of all roads and bridges within their respective limits.

—how pau-  
pers shall  
be sup-  
ported.

—support  
of schools.

—school  
houses and  
school  
property  
shall be-  
long to  
town  
where lo-  
cated.

—all other  
property  
shall be-  
long to  
Deer, Isle.

Sect. 4. The school houses and lots, books, apparatus and other school appliances owned by the town of Deer Isle under the law of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, abolishing the school district system, shall, hereafter, belong to the town in whose territory they are located. All other property of the town of Deer Isle, both real and personal, including the town house and lot, road machines, safes and the books and records shall belong to said town of Deer Isle; and the said town of Deer Isle shall pay to the said town of Stonington the sum of six hundred and seventy-five dollars on or before the first day of August in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, in full payment and satisfaction of said Stonington's equitable proportion of same.

Records  
shall be re-  
tained by  
Deer Isle.

Sect. 5. The records and papers of the town of Deer Isle shall hereafter be retained by the town of Deer Isle, and each town shall have access to same.

Represen-  
tative dis-  
trict.

Sect. 6. Until a new apportionment of the state shall be made, the town of Deer Isle and the town of Stonington shall



remain in the same representative district with which the town of Deer Isle is now classed. CHAP. 360

Sect. 7. Any justice of the peace in the county of Hancock may issue his warrant to any legal voter in the town of Stonington, directing him to notify the inhabitants thereof to meet at a time and place specified in said warrant, giving at least seven days' notice therefor, for the choice of town officers, and to transact such business as towns are authorized to do.

First  
meeting of  
Stonington,  
how  
notified.

Sect. 8. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 18, 1887.

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### Chapter 360.

An Act to amend Chapter two hundred and seventy-four of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, entitled "An Act to fix the salary of the Recorder of the Municipal Court for the City of Portland."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section one of chapter two hundred and seventy-four of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven is hereby amended by striking out in the second line of said section the word "seventeen" and inserting instead the word 'eighteen,' so that said section as hereby amended, shall read as follows:

Section 1,  
chapter 274,  
private  
laws, 1887,  
amended.

'Sect. 1. The salary of the recorder of the municipal court for the city of Portland shall be eighteen hundred dollars, which shall be in full of all services, including clerk hire, and it shall be the duty of said recorder to make and post all copies of libels and monitions in liquor cases.'

Salary of  
recorder,  
fixed.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 18, 1887.

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An Act additional to and amendatory of Chapter forty-eight of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Winterport Ferry Company."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Winter-  
port Ferry  
Company  
author-  
ized to  
take land.

—shall file  
plans of  
lands and  
location.

Damages,  
how  
assessed in  
case of dis-  
agree-  
ment.

May issue  
bonds and  
mortgage  
property  
and fran-  
chise.

Sect. 1. Said company may take and hold any lands necessary for landings, piers, wharves, or for any purpose so far as consistent with said company's charter. It may enter upon lands to make surveys and locations, and shall file in the registry of deeds of the county, where such lands are located plans for said location and lands, showing the property taken.

Sect. 2. Should the said company and the owner of such land be unable to agree upon the damages to be paid for such location, taking, holding and construction, the land owner may within twelve months after said filing of plans of location, apply to the county commissioners of said county and cause such damages to be assessed in the same manner and under the same conditions, restrictions and limitations, as are by law prescribed in the case of damages by the laying out of highways, so far as such law is consistent with the provisions of this act.

Sect. 3. Said company may issue its bonds in sums of not less than one hundred dollars each, at such rates and on such time or times as is expedient for the purposes under its charter, provided, that said bonds issued shall not at any time exceed in amount the capital stock of the company issued at that time and paid for, and may secure the same by mortgage of its franchise and property or in any other manner it may deem proper, and may hold stock in other corporations.

Sect. 4. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 19, 1897.

**Chapter 362.**

An Act to incorporate the Vinalhaven Water Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. F. S. Walls, D. H. Glidden, Charles F. Parks, F. H. Sanborn and M. S. Bird, their associates and successors are hereby made a corporation by the name of the Vinalhaven Water Company, for the purpose of furnishing to the inhabitants of the town of Vinalhaven or any of the inhabitants of Vinalhaven island a supply of water for domestic, manufacturing and mechanical purposes, and also for the extinguishment of fires, and for other public uses, with all the rights, privileges, immunities, duties and obligations incident to similar corporations.

Incorporators.

—name.

—supply water.

Sect. 2. The capital stock of said corporation shall not exceed one hundred thousand dollars; it may acquire and hold real and personal estate necessary and convenient for the purposes aforesaid, and it may issue bonds and other obligations, secured by a mortgage on its franchise and other property, to carry out the purposes for which it is created, not to exceed the amount of the capital stock subscribed for.

Capital stock.

—may issue bonds and mortgage franchise and property.

Sect. 3. Said corporation may take and hold by purchase, or may take as for public uses, any real estate or easement therein, including the water of any pond or ponds, streams, springs or artesian wells on the island of Vinalhaven, necessary for obtaining a sufficient supply of water for the construction of reservoirs and laying pipes; and may erect and may maintain all necessary dams, reservoirs, standpipes and hydrants; it may lay its pipes through the lands of persons and corporations, and under such restrictions and regulations as may be prescribed by the board of selectmen, along the streets, highways and other ways of said town; and it may lay its pipes under any railroad, water course or private way and cross any drain or sewer, provided, that in the matter of crossing any drain or sewer, it shall at its own expense, and within reasonable time, replace, repair and cover such drain or sewer as may be injured or disturbed during the construction and repair of its water works, and it may enter upon and dig up any real estate, railroad, street or way, for the purpose of laying pipes or erecting hydrants or other fixtures, and maintaining and repairing the same; and it may do any other act or thing necessary, convenient or proper

May take real estate, including water.

—may erect dams and lay pipes, etc.

—may cross any water course or private way.

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to carry out the purpose of providing a supply of water, and distributing the same to the inhabitants of said town or said island for the uses aforesaid.

Shall file  
with regis-  
ter of  
deeds, de-  
scription of  
land taken.

Sect. 4. Said corporation shall file in the registry of deeds a certificate containing a description of the land purchased or taken, or in which an easement is taken, under the provisions of this act, and a statement of the purposes for which it is taken will be recorded by the register, and such land or easement shall be deemed to be taken on the filing of such certificate, but this section shall not apply to the mains laid in public ways, nor to the service pipes leading from the pipe for the purpose of distributing the water.

Liability  
for dam-  
ages.

Sect. 5. Said corporation shall pay all damages sustained by any person or corporation, by the taking of any land, right of way, water, water source, water right, or easement, or by the erection of any dam, or by any other thing done by said corporation under the authority of this act, and said persons or corporations sustaining damages as aforesaid, may have the same determined in the manner provided by law for the assessment of damages for lands taken for railroads, upon application at any time within the period of three years from the taking of such land or other property, or the doing of other injury under the authority of this act; but if no application is made within three years as aforesaid, the party claiming to have suffered damages shall be deemed to have waived his claim therefor.

—how de-  
termined.

May lay  
pipes under  
tide water.

Sect. 6. Said corporation may lay its pipes, under tide water, across any of the bays, channels or indentations of the island, but in such manner as not to interfere with the customary and usual uses of the same for the purposes of navigation. It may also extend its pipes across the thoroughfare, so called, and supply water to the inhabitants of North Haven island. For the purpose of creating power said corporation is authorized to build a dam across any of the coves or bays and establish a tide mill.

May ex-  
tend pipes  
and supply  
North  
Haven  
with water.

May dis-  
tribute  
water, and  
fix reason-  
able rates.

Sect. 7. Said corporation may distribute the water through said town of Vinalhaven and its vicinity; may regulate the use of said water, and fix and collect water rates to be paid for the same; and said corporation shall be bound to furnish at reasonable rates as aforesaid, water to the inhabitants of said town for said uses within a reasonable distance from the main pipe, and to said town in its corporative capacity for public uses. And said town is hereby authorized, and so also is the town of North

—towns  
may con-  
tract for  
water and  
remit  
taxes.

Haven, to contract with said corporation for water for public uses, on such terms as the parties may agree, including the remission of taxes upon the real estate, fixtures and plant and on other property of said corporation, and may raise money therefor in the same manner as for other town charges. CHAP. 363

Sect. 8. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 19, 1897.

### Chapter 363.

An Act to repeal Chapter one hundred and nine of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-three, relating to the taking of Pickerel in certain ponds.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Chapter one hundred and nine of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-three, relating to the taking of pickerel from Long Mousam, Square Mousam, Goose, Upper Goose, Hanson and Loon ponds in the towns of Shapleigh and Acton is hereby repealed.

Chapter 109,  
private  
laws, 1853,  
repealed.

Approved February 19, 1897.

### Chapter 364.

An Act relating to the charter of the Godfrey Falls Dam Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section two of chapter one hundred and five of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-one is hereby repealed.

Section 2,  
chapter 105,  
private  
laws, 1881,  
repealed.

Sect. 2. From and after the passage of this act, the Godfrey Falls Dam Company shall cease to have any right to levy or collect any tolls on any logs or lumber which comes down Shin Pond stream on account of any erections or improvements made or that may be hereafter made upon said stream or the ponds and lakes tributary thereto.

Company  
prohibited  
from fur-  
ther col-  
lecting  
tolls.

Sect. 3. Except as specified in sections one and two of this act, said Godfrey Falls Dam Company shall have and exercise

Rights and  
powers  
preserved.

**CHAP. 365** all and singular the other rights, powers and privileges which it now lawfully possesses.

Sect. 4. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 19, 1897.

### Chapter 365.

An Act to extend the charter of the Lisbon Water Company for an additional two years.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Charter  
extended  
two years.

Sect. 1. The time limited in charter of the Lisbon Water Company for the organization of said corporation and the commencement of business thereunder, is hereby further extended for a term of two years from the approval of this act.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 19, 1897.

### Chapter 366.

An Act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Water Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Corpora-  
tors.

—corporate  
name.

—purpose.

Location.

Authorized  
to take  
water.

Sect. 1. J. H. Maxwell, W. A. Stuart, J. L. Cummings, D. J. Bogan and A. C. Fuller of East Livermore, with their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation by the name of the Livermore Falls Water Company, for the purpose of supplying the inhabitants of Livermore Falls village, Chisholm's mills and Jay bridge with suitable water for domestic, sanitary and municipal purposes, including extinguishment of fires, with all the privileges, and subject to all the liabilities and obligations of similar corporations under the general law of this state.

Sect. 2. The place of business of said corporation shall be at the village of Livermore Falls, in the town of East Livermore, in the county of Androscoggin; and its business shall be confined to the towns of East Livermore, Livermore and Jay.

Sect. 3. For any of the purposes aforesaid, or for the preservation and purity of said water, said corporation is hereby authorized to take and use water from the Androscoggin river

for fire purposes only, or from any spring, brook or pond in either of the towns of East Livermore, Livermore or Jay; to conduct and distribute the same into and through the said towns of East Livermore, Livermore and Jay; to survey for, locate, lay, erect and maintain suitable dams, reservoirs and machinery, pipes, aqueducts and fixtures; to carry its pipes, or aqueducts, under, in or over the Androscoggin river, so called, or under or over any water course, bridge, street, railroad, highway, or other way; and said corporation is further authorized to enter upon, and excavate any highway, or other way, in such manner as least will obstruct the same; to enter, pass over and excavate any lands, and to take and to hold by purchase, or otherwise any real estate, rights of way, or of water; and in general to do all acts necessary, convenient or proper for carrying out any of the purposes herein before specified; and said corporation is further authorized, for the purpose of making all needed repairs, or extensions, or service connections, to lay its pipes through any public or private lands or ways, with the right to enter upon the same, or dig therein; and said corporation may make written regulations for the use of said water, and change the same from time to time.

—erect  
dams.

—lay pipes  
in or over  
Andros-  
coggin  
river, or  
any water  
course or  
highway,  
etc.

—may lay  
pipes  
through  
public or  
private  
lands.

Sect. 4. Said corporation shall be liable to pay all damages that shall be sustained by any person or corporation, by the taking of any land, water or other property, or by excavating through any land for the purpose of laying down pipes, and aqueducts, or building any reservoirs, stand pipes, or other structures, herein authorized to be built. If any person sustaining damages as aforesaid, and said corporation, cannot mutually agree upon the sum to be paid therefor, either party, on petition to the county commissioners of the county in which the land lies, filed within one year after the filing in the registry of deeds of the plans required by chapter two hundred and eighty-four, of the laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, entitled, "An Act to prescribe the manner of taking of land and other property by water companies," may have said damages assessed by said county commissioners, and subsequent proceedings and rights of appeal thereon shall be had in the same manner, and under the same conditions, restrictions and limitations, as are by law prescribed in the case of damages by laying out of highways, so far as such law is consistent with the provisions of this act. No action shall be brought against the said corporation for such taking, holding or occupying, until the

Liability  
for dam-  
ages.

—how  
assessed in  
case of dis-  
agreement.

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—failure to file petition shall be held to be a waiver of damage.

May lay pipes across any railroad..

—terms in case of disagreement, how determined.

—company liable for all damages.

—company shall have notice of suits.

Shall file in registry of deeds, plans of location.

—may file statement of damages it is willing to pay.

May hold real and personal es-

expiration of thirty days after final judgment upon such petition. Failure to file such petition by any person claiming to sustain such damages within one year, shall be held to be a waiver of them.

Sect. 5. Said Livermore Falls Water Company may also lay, and maintain its mains and pipes under or across any railroad, if agreement with the railroad company can be had, or if such agreement cannot be had, at such place and upon such terms and conditions as may be determined by the railroad commissioners, and all work within the limits of the railroad location shall be done under the supervision and to the satisfaction of the railroad company, but at the expense of said water company. Said water company shall be liable, in all cases to repay to any railroad company or town, all sums of money that such railroad company or town shall be obliged to pay on any judgment recovered against it, for damages occasioned by any obstruction, taking up, or displacement of its railroad, by said Livermore Falls Water Company in the case of a railroad company, or in the case of a town by reason of any defect in any highways or street therein, occasioned by any fault, or neglect of said water company, together with reasonable counsel fees and expenses, necessarily incurred in defending such railroad or town in all actions therefor; provided, however, that said Livermore Falls Water Company shall have notice of the commencement of any and all suits for such damage, and that said water company shall have the right to defend any such action at its own expense.

Sect. 6. Said Livermore Falls Water Company shall file in the registry of deeds in the county where the lands and water rights taken are situated, plans and descriptions of the location of all lands and water rights taken under the provisions of this act, and no entry shall be made upon any land, except to make surveys, until the expiration of twenty days from such filing, and with such plan, the corporation may file a statement of the damages it is willing to pay to any person or corporation, for any property so taken, and if the amount finally awarded does not exceed that sum, the company shall recover costs against said person or corporation; otherwise such person or corporation shall recover such costs against said company.

Sect. 7. Said corporation may take and hold by lease or by purchase, real or personal estate necessary and convenient



for the purpose aforesaid, not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars in value.

Sect. 8. The capital stock of said corporation shall be one hundred thousand dollars, which may be increased to two hundred thousand dollars, by a majority vote of said corporation, and said stock shall be divided into shares of par value of one hundred dollars each.

Sect. 9. Said corporation is hereby authorized to make contracts with said towns of East Livermore, Livermore and Jay, or with any village corporation which may hereafter exist in said towns of East Livermore, Livermore and Jay, and with other corporations and individuals for the purpose of supplying water, as contemplated by this act; and said towns of East Livermore, Livermore and Jay, by their selectmen, and said village corporation or corporations, by its assessors, are hereby authorized to enter into contract with said water company for the supply of water, and for such exemption from public burdens as said towns and such village corporation or corporations and said company may agree upon, which, when made, shall be legal and binding upon all parties thereto.

Sect. 10. Said corporation may issue its bonds for the construction of its works upon such rates and times, as it may deem expedient, to an amount not exceeding the amount of its capital stock subscribed for; and secure the same by mortgage of the franchises and property of said company.

Sect. 11. The first meeting of said corporation shall be called by written notice thereof, signed by any two corporators herein named, served upon each corporator, by giving him the same in hand, or by leaving same at his last usual place of abode, seven days before the time of said meeting.

Sect. 12. The Livermore Falls Water Company agrees to furnish the town of East Livermore ten hydrants for five years free of all expense.

Sect. 13. The Livermore Falls Water Company hereby agrees to sell its plant and franchise to the said town of East Livermore for a reasonable compensation therefor at any time within twenty years. If the said Livermore Falls Water Company and the selectmen of said town of East Livermore cannot agree upon the sum to be paid for said plant and franchise, then either party may petition to any justice of the supreme judicial court who shall appoint three disinterested men who

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tate not exceeding \$100,000. Capital stock.

May make contracts to supply water.

—towns may contract for water and exempt from taxation.

May issue bonds and mortgage property.

First meeting, how called.

Shall furnish 10 hydrants free.

Agrees to sell plant at any time within 20 years.

—in case of disagreement, court may appoint commission to fix price.

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Sect. 14. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 24, 1897.

### Chapter 367.

An Act to prevent the unreasonable obstruction of public travel over the Penobscot River.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Running of  
rafts ex-  
ceeding 1950  
feet in  
length, on  
Penobscot  
river be-  
tween toll  
bridge and  
High Head,  
prohibited.

—penalty  
for viola-  
tion, and  
how recov-  
ered.

Whoever runs or tows any log or lumber raft or rafts exceeding nineteen hundred and fifty feet in length, including tow boats and tow lines, on the Penobscot river between the Bangor and Brewer toll bridge and High Head, so called, shall forfeit twenty-five dollars for the use of Penobscot county, to be recovered on complaint or indictment, or in an action of debt; and it shall be the duty of the harbor master of the port of Bangor to enter upon, measure and determine the length of such rafts, including tow boat and tow lines, upon complaint to said harbor master, made by any officer of the Bangor and Brewer Ferry Company.

Approved February 24, 1897.

### Chapter 368.

An Act to incorporate Shin Pond Stream Dam and Improvement Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Corpora-  
tors.

—corporate  
name.

Authorized  
to erect  
dams and  
sluices.

Sect. 1. Edward Stetson, Isaiah K. Stetson, Frederick H. Appleton, Henry A. Appleton, William Engel, Ira B. Gardner and Don A. H. Powers, their associates, successors and assigns are hereby created a corporation by the name of the Shin Pond Stream Dam and Improvement Company with all the powers and privileges of similar corporations.

Sect. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized, for log driving purposes only, to take by purchase or erect and maintain a dam at or near the outlet of Upper Shin pond in the town

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—location.

of Mount Chase in the county of Penobscot; and also to take by purchase or erect and maintain a dam at or near the outlet of Lower Shin pond in township five, range seven, in said county; and also to erect and maintain a dam at the head of Shin pond stream falls and erect and maintain a sluice at Shin pond stream falls in said township number six, range seven, and a dam or dams below said falls in township number five, and in township number six, range seven, in said county; and remove rocks and other obstructions in said falls and below the same; and the said corporation is authorized to enter upon and take such land, property and material upon said townships and upon said town of Mount Chase as the said corporation may find necessary to construct their sluice and dams and erect the same; and also to flow contiguous lands so far as may be necessary. Provided, however, that the rights hereby granted to said corporation shall not be so exercised or held as to deprive the owners of township number six, range seven, of the right, at any time, to use the falls above named and the lands immediately adjoining the same, for the purpose of developing the water power and using, selling or leasing the same for manufacturing or mechanical purposes. And provided also, that said corporation shall pay the proprietor or proprietors of land, property and material taken and used such sums as may be agreed on, and if the parties cannot agree such damages shall be ascertained and determined by the county commissioners of the county of Penobscot in the same manner and under the same conditions and limitations as are by law provided in the case of damage in laying out public highways; and for lands flowed the proprietor or proprietors may determine damages thereof in the same mode and manner and to the same extent and under the same conditions and limitations as are provided in chapter ninety-two of the revised statutes, for damages where lands are flowed by the erection of mills. And said corporation may hold by purchase, other real estate to the value of five thousand dollars.

—may take land and material.

—shall not deprive owners to use of falls and lands in township 6, range 7.

—damages, how ascertained, in case of disagreement.

—may hold real estate.

Sect. 3. Said corporation may demand and receive as a toll the sum of fifty cents for each and every thousand feet board measure, wood scale, of all logs and lumber put into the lakes, ponds and streams above their sluice at or near the head of Shin pond stream falls and which may pass over their sluice at or near the head of said Shin pond stream falls; and the said corporation shall have a lien upon all logs and lumber which

May collect tolls.

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—shall have  
lien on logs.

—may sell  
logs after  
due notice.

When tolls  
shall be re-  
duced.

may pass over or through their said sluice at or near the head of said Shin pond stream falls until the full amount of toll of all the logs and lumber which may pass over and through said sluice at or near the head of said Shin pond stream falls is paid, but the logs of each particular mark shall only be holden to pay the toll of said mark, and if said toll is not paid within ten days after said logs and lumber shall arrive at the Penobscot boom or at their place of destination, said corporation may sell at public auction in Bangor after ten days' notice in some newspaper printed in said Bangor, so much of said logs and lumber as may be sufficient to pay said toll and incidental charges.

Sect. 4. When said corporation shall from tolls be reimbursed for all costs, expenses and incidental charges for erecting and maintaining all their dams, sluices and other improvements including all sums paid for flowage, if any, with twelve per cent interest, the tolls shall be reduced to a sum, sufficient in the opinion of the directors of said company to keep said dams, sluice and improvements in repair and for protecting and preserving them.

Sect. 5. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 24, 1897.

**Chapter 369.**

An Act to amend "An Act to amend the charter of the Waldoboro Water and Electric Light and Power Company."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 12,  
chapter 107,  
private  
laws, 1896,  
amended.

Sect. 1. Section twelve of chapter one hundred and seven of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five is hereby amended as follows: the word "four" in the second line of said section be stricken out and the word 'six' inserted therefor, so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

When act  
shall be null  
and void.

'Sect. 12. In case no portion of the works of this corporation shall have been put into operation within six years from the date of the approval of this act, the rights and privileges herein granted shall be null and void.'

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 24, 1897.

**Chapter 370.**

An Act enabling the town of Yarmouth to build and maintain a bridge across the tide waters between the islands of Cousin's and Littlejohn's in said town of Yarmouth.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

The town of Yarmouth, in the county of Cumberland, is hereby authorized to erect and maintain a bridge, for foot and carriage travel, across tide waters, between Cousin's and Littlejohn's islands in said town.

Town of  
Yarmouth,  
authorized  
to erect  
bridge.

Approved February 24, 1897.

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**Chapter 371.**

An Act in addition to acts to incorporate the Pepperell Manufacturing Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The Pepperell Manufacturing Company is hereby allowed to increase its capital stock from fifteen hundred thousand dollars to twenty-five hundred thousand dollars.

Company  
authorized  
to increase  
capital  
stock.

Sect. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized to purchase, hold or lease any real and personal estate essential or convenient for its business.

May hold  
real estate.

Sect. 3. The act passed February sixteen, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, establishing said corporation, is hereby amended by inserting the words 'or elsewhere' after the word "Biddeford" in the twelfth line of the first section thereof.

Location.

Approved February 24, 1897.

CHAP. 372**Chapter 372.**

An Act authorizing the City of Eastport to issue bonds.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

City of  
Eastport,  
authorized  
to issue  
bonds and  
refund debt.

Sect. 1. The city of Eastport, in the county of Washington, is hereby authorized to issue bonds of said city, for the purpose of funding part of the city debt, to the amount of twenty thousand dollars with coupons attached, bearing interest at the rate of four per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and payable at such times as the city council of said Eastport at any legal meeting for that purpose may direct.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 24, 1887.

**Chapter 373.**

An Act to extend the powers of the International North and South American Transportation and Express Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Company  
authorized  
to do ex-  
press busi-  
ness in for-  
eign coun-  
tries.

Sect. 1. The International North and South American Transportation and Express Company, a corporation duly organized under the general laws of this state, may maintain and operate a transportation and express business for the transportation of freight and express matter, including the transmission of money and bullion between any points or places in the United States, and any points or places in the United States, and any points or places in any foreign state, republic, kingdom, province or country, and between any points or places in such foreign states, republics, kingdoms, provinces and countries, and on or over any routes or lines of transportation now existing, on land or sea, or which may be hereafter established, subject to the laws of this state and the laws of all such foreign states and countries.

May buy  
and own  
any trans-  
portation  
line and  
hold real  
estate, etc.,  
in any  
country.

Sect. 2. Said corporation may establish, buy, own and operate any line of transportation by land or sea, for the purpose of carrying on a general transportation and freight business, and for such purposes may buy, acquire and own all lands, buildings, real estate and personal property, as may be deemed necessary

or conducive to the business of the company, in any state, republic, kingdom, province or country, except Maine, subject to the laws of the states, republics, kingdoms, provinces and countries where such lines may be established.

—except-  
tion.

Sect. 3. Said corporation may enter into and conduct a general money exchange business, and may buy and sell any and all goods, wares, merchandise and other property, real and personal, on commission for others and on its own behalf. It may discount customers' bills of lading and other bills, and may buy and sell exchange in and between any of the countries in which it does or may do business. Provided, that nothing herein shall be construed to give said corporation any banking privileges in the state of Maine other than those now possessed by said corporation.

May conduct a money exchange business and buy and sell all kinds of merchandise.

Sect. 4. Said corporation may guarantee delivery of and collection for any goods, wares and merchandise shipped by or through it or otherwise and may make advances on account of any bills of lading for shipment of any such goods, wares and merchandise entrusted to it between any points in any of the states and countries in which it does or may hereafter do business.

May guarantee delivery of goods and make advances on account.

Sect. 5. Nothing herein shall be held to deprive said corporation of any rights, powers and privileges it may now or may hereafter have under the general laws of the state, relating to corporations.

Privileges shall not be restricted by this act.

Sect. 6. The organization of said corporation as now existing, together with all acts and proceedings had in effecting said organization are hereby confirmed and made valid.

Organization made valid.

Sect. 7. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 24, 1897.

CHAP. 374**Chapter 374.**

An Act to amend Section five of Chapter one hundred and eighty of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, relating to the Organization of Parishes of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 5,  
chapter 180,  
private  
laws, 1869,  
amended.

Sect. 1. Section five of chapter one hundred and eighty of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, is hereby amended by striking out the word "male," and by adding at the end of said section the words, 'but only male persons shall be eligible to be elected wardens or members of vestries or delegates to diocesan or general conventions,' so that said section as amended, shall read as follows:

Qualifica-  
tions of  
voters.

'Sect. 5. At all subsequent meetings, the right of voting shall be confined to the persons who became actually entitled to vote at the first meeting, and to such other persons of full age as have, during the previous six months, been stated worshipers in said church and stated contributors to its support, and have signed the written declaration referred to in section four. But only male persons shall be eligible to be elected wardens or members of vestries or delegates to diocesan or general conventions.'

eligibility  
to office.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 24, 1897.

**Chapter 375.**

An Act in addition to acts to incorporate the Laconia Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Laconia  
Company  
authorized  
to increase  
capital  
stock.

Sect. 1. The Laconia Company is hereby allowed to increase its capital stock from twelve hundred thousand dollars to twenty-two hundred thousand dollars.

May hold  
real estate.

Sect. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized to purchase, hold or lease any real and personal estate essential or convenient for its business.

Location.

Sect. 3. The act passed February nineteenth, one thousand eight hundred and forty-one, establishing said corporation, is hereby amended by inserting the words 'or elsewhere' after the word "Biddeford" in the sixteenth line of the first section thereof.

Approved February 24, 1897.



**Chapter 376.**

An Act to authorize the Dexter and Newport Railroad Company to issue bonds and to make a mortgage securing the same, and to authorize the Maine Central Railroad Company to guarantee the payment of said bonds.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The president and directors of the Dexter and Newport Railroad Company are hereby authorized and empowered, for the purpose of carrying into effect a contract or lease between said company and the Maine Central Railroad Company, authorized by act of legislature approved February nineteen, eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, to issue its bonds to the amount of one hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars, of such denomination and upon such time of payment, and at such rate of interest as they may deem for the interest of said company, and to secure the payment of said bonds, both principal and interest, by a mortgage of all the property of said company which they now have or may subsequently acquire, and also the franchise of said company, without prior incumbrance.

Dexter and  
Newport  
Railroad  
Company,  
authorized  
to issue  
bonds to  
carry out  
contract.

—may mort-  
gage prop-  
erty.

Sect. 2. The Maine Central Railroad Company, for the purposes aforesaid, is hereby authorized and empowered to guarantee the payment of said bonds, both principal and interest.

Maine Cen-  
tral may  
guarantee  
bonds.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 24, 1897.

**Chapter 377.**

An Act to repeal so much of Chapter four hundred and sixty-one of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five, entitled "An Act granting additional powers to the inhabitants of school district number five, in the town of Kennebunk," and acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof, as relates to the maintenance of schools and school houses.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section one of chapter four hundred and sixty-one of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five is hereby amended by striking out so much thereof as relates to the maintenance of schools and school buildings in said district, so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 1,  
chapter 461,  
private  
laws, 1885,  
amended.

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Inhabitants of school district No. 5, declared a corporation.

—powers.

'Sect. 1. The inhabitants of school district number five, in the town of Kennebunk, shall continue to be and are hereby declared to be a corporation, and are hereby authorized, in addition to the power now conferred by law, upon school districts, at any legal meeting called for the purpose to raise by assessment or by loan, as hereinafter provided such sums of money as may be deemed necessary and sufficient for the organizing and maintaining, within the limits of said district, of an efficient fire department; for building, purchasing, renting, repairing and maintaining engine houses, hook and ladder carriage houses and lockups or police stations; for purchasing, repairing and maintaining fire engines, hose, ladders, buckets, machines and other apparatus for the extinguishment and prevention of fires; for the construction and repair of reservoirs and aqueducts; for the procuring of water and pumps, pipes and machinery for handling and distributing the same; for establishing and maintaining a public library in said district in the same way and to the same extent that towns may do; for the purchasing and renting of real estate for any of the above purposes; to pay for the services of one or more police officers, night watchmen, truant officers, or any other officers to whom the district may vote a salary or compensation.'

Section 2, amended.

Sect. 2. Section two of said chapter is hereby amended by striking out in the third line of said section the words "three superintending school committee men" and in the fourth line thereof the word "agent" so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Officers and how chosen.

'Sect. 2. The officers of said district under this act, unless said district shall otherwise determine, shall consist of clerk, treasurer, collector, assessors, one or more auditors, chief engineer, two or more assistant engineers, one or more police officers, and such other officers as may be provided for in the by-laws of said district; and such other officers, except as herein otherwise provided, shall have the same qualifications and shall be elected and qualified in the same way, and shall perform in said district the same duties as similar officers elected by towns, and such qualifications may be before the clerk of said district.'

Section 3, repealed.

Sect. 3. Section three of said chapter is hereby repealed, and re-enacted to read as follows:

Schools shall be maintained

'Sect. 3. All public schools in said district shall hereafter be supported and maintained by said town of Kennebunk and be

managed and superintended by its proper officers as are the other public schools of said town.'

Sect. 4. Section eleven of said chapter is hereby repealed.

Sect. 5. Section twelve of said chapter is hereby amended by striking out from the second and third lines thereof the words "or by the state for the maintenance of a free high school in said district," so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 12. All moneys payable to said district by said town as aforesaid, or for any other purpose, as well as all moneys derived from taxation or loan, or from any other source, shall be paid to the treasurer of the district and received and held by him for the uses of the district. The treasurer shall repay all loans and interest thereon, as the sums may become due, from any money in the treasury assessed or appropriated for that purpose, but no other money shall be paid therefrom except upon the written order of the assessors, and no such order shall be drawn by them except upon a properly avouched bill of items. The collector, and when required, the treasurer, shall give bonds in such sums as the district may direct, to be approved by the assessors.'

Sect. 6. Said chapter is further amended by adding thereto the following section:

'Sect. 16. Immediately after this act shall have become a law, said town of Kennebunk shall take possession of all school houses, school house lands, school apparatus and all other school property belonging to said district, which said district may lawfully sell and convey. The property so taken shall forthwith be appraised by the assessors of said town, and at the first annual assessment thereafter, a tax shall be levied upon such part of said town as is included within said district, equal to the whole of said appraisal; and there shall be remitted to the taxpayers of said district the said appraised value of its property so taken.'

Sect. 7. This act shall take effect on the first day of March, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

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and superintended by proper officers.

Section 11, repealed.

Section 12, repealed.

All moneys shall be paid to treasurer of district.

—bonds of collector and treasurer.

Section added.

Town shall take and hold possession of all school property.

—property shall be appraised.

—balance shall be remitted to taxpayers of district.

When act shall take effect.

CHAP. 378**Chapter 378.**

An Act additional to and amendatory of an act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Maine Telephone Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Maine Telephone Company may issue bonds and mortgage property.

Sect. 1. The Maine Telephone Company may issue its bonds in sums not less than one hundred dollars each and secure the same by a mortgage of its lines, franchise and property or in any other manner it may deem proper.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 24, 1897.

**Chapter 379.**

An Act to incorporate the Town of Oakfield.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Oakfield plantation, incorporated as a town.

Sect. 1. Township number five in the third range of townships, west from the east line of the state of Maine, heretofore known as Oakfield plantation, is hereby incorporated as a town under the name of Oakfield; and the inhabitants thereof are hereby invested with all the powers and privileges and subject to the duties and liabilities incident to other towns in this state.

Collectors of plantation shall collect all taxes now due.

Sect. 2. The collectors of the plantation of Oakfield shall have power to finish the collection of all taxes which shall have been committed to them for collection prior to the passage of this act, and to settle with and pay the same to the treasurer of the town of Oakfield; and the several officers of said plantation are empowered to perform all the duties of town officers in the town created by this act, until their successors shall have been legally chosen and qualified as town officers of the town of Oakfield under this act.

—officers empowered to act, till town chooses successor.

First meeting, how called.

Sect. 3. Any justice of the peace may call the first meeting of the town of Oakfield by posting a warrant therefor, stating the objects of said meeting, in three public and conspicuous places in said town, at least seven days before the time of holding said meeting.

All property of plantation shall be vested in town.

Sect. 4. All property now belonging to Oakfield plantation shall belong to, and the title thereof is hereby vested in the town of Oakfield.

Sect. 5. The persons hereafter becoming chargeable as paupers within the limits of said town shall be chargeable to said town of Oakfield, excepting those who are now state paupers.

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Paupers  
shall be  
chargeable  
to town.

Sect. 6. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 24, 1897.

### Chapter 380.

An Act to authorize the Auburn and Turner Railroad Company to make a loan.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The Auburn and Turner Electric Railroad Company is hereby authorized to issue its bonds in such denominations and for such an amount, not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars per mile, payable at such time and at such rate of interest as the directors of said company shall deem advisable. The said loan is to be made for the purpose of constructing the road, equipping the same with electricity for the purpose of operating its road, purchasing land for erecting and maintaining necessary power houses, and including purchasing of water power or rights to furnish power for the generating of electricity, the purchasing of such other real estate and property as may be necessary or convenient for the uses of said railroad; and the said corporation is hereby authorized and empowered to mortgage its road, franchise and other property, to secure the payment of said bonds.

Company  
authorized  
to issue  
bonds.

—purposes.

—may mort-  
gage prop-  
erty.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 2, 1897.

### Chapter 381.

An Act to change the name of the Saint Lawrence Street Congregational Parish, of Portland.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The name of the Saint Lawrence Street Congregational Parish, of Portland, is hereby changed to the Saint Lawrence Congregational Parish, of Portland.

Name  
changed.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 2, 1897.

CHAP. 382**Chapter 382.**

An Act relating to the incorporation of the Portland Female Provident Association.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Associa-  
tion de-  
clared a  
corpora-  
tion.

—doings  
legalized.

The Portland Female Provident Association of Portland is hereby declared to be an existing corporation, having all the rights, privileges and immunities of corporations created under and by virtue of chapter fifty-five of the revised statutes; and all acts and proceedings of said association, with reference to the calling and holding of meetings, the choice of officers, the taking and holding of real and personal property, and all other acts and proceedings of said association, are hereby confirmed and made legal and valid.

Approved March 2, 1897.

**Chapter 383.**

An Act to incorporate the South Branch Improvement Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Corpora-  
tors.

Sect. 1. Elias Thomas, John R. Viles and Frank W. Butler, their associates, successors and assigns be and are hereby created a body corporate by the name of the South Branch Improvement Company, with all the rights, powers and privileges of similar corporations.

Capital  
stock.

Sect. 2. Said corporation may issue its capital stock to an amount not exceeding ten thousand dollars, and to be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each.

Authorized  
to improve  
south  
branch of  
Dead river.

Sect. 3. Said corporation is hereby authorized to improve the south branch of Dead river, so called, in the county of Franklin, from its source to the Cove, so called, about one mile below Buttermilk falls, for log driving purposes, by widening, deepening and removing obstructions from the channel of said stream, by the construction of dams, side dams and sluice ways therein, and by the erection of booms, side booms and piers therein to facilitate the floating of logs and pulp wood.

Damages  
for material,  
how ascer-  
tained.

Sect. 4. For any materials taken for the purposes aforesaid reasonable compensation shall be made to the owners thereof,

to be ascertained in the same manner and under the same conditions as is provided in the case of damages by laying out the public highways, and for any damages by flowage reasonable compensation shall be made to the parties injured, to be ascertained in the same manner as is now provided in cases of flowing lands by the erection of dams and mills.

Sect. 5. Said corporation shall have the right to collect a Tolls. toll upon all lumber and pulp wood which shall be floated down said stream from any point above said cove, of twenty cents per thousand feet, wood scale, for all long lumber and saw logs, and ten cents per cord for all spruce, pine or poplar wood in four or eight feet lengths, intended for pulp wood, and shall have a lien upon all logs, lumber and pulp wood, which may be floated down said stream for the payment of said tolls; said lien to be enforced in the manner provided for the enforcement of liens on logs and lumber, by sections thirty-eight and thirty-nine of chapter ninety-one of the revised statutes, and all amendments and additions thereto; but the logs of each particular mark shall be holden only for the tolls of such mark.

Sect. 6. Said corporation shall keep a true and accurate account of cost of such improvements as shall be made, which shall be open to inspection at all times to land owners or operators; and when the toll received on said river shall have paid the cost of all improvements heretofore made by these corporators, or either of them, or that may hereafter be made by this corporation on said stream, and all interest, cost and expense thereon, then the toll herein provided for shall be reduced to a sum sufficient to keep the works in repairs, pay all expenses of the management of this corporation and all future necessary improvements.

When tolls  
shall be re-  
duced.

Approved March 2, 1897.

CHAP. 384**Chapter 384.**

An Act to confirm the organization of the Hathorn Fancy Forging Company and change its name to that of the Hathorn Manufacturing Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Doings of  
company  
confirmed,  
and name  
changed.

Sect. 1. The doings of the Hathorn Manufacturing Company in its organization and the change of name from the name of the Hathorn Fancy Forging Company to Hathorn Manufacturing Company is authorized and confirmed.

May hold  
real estate  
in Brewer.

Sect. 2. Said Hathorn Manufacturing Company is authorized to acquire and hold real estate in Brewer, in Penobscot county, to the value of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and to carry on its manufacturing business at said Brewer, or any other place in said county.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 2, 1887.

**Chapter 385.**

An Act relating to the extension of the charter of the Atlantic Shore Line Electric Railroad Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Charter ex-  
tended for  
two years.

Sect. 1. Section one of the provisions of chapter six hundred eight of the private and special laws of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, relating to the incorporation of the Atlantic Shore Line Electric Railroad Company, are hereby extended for and during the term of two years from March twenty-eight, one thousand eight hundred ninety-seven.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 3, 1887.



**Chapter 386.**

An Act to organize the Plantation of Criehaven.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. That part of Matinicus Isle plantation in the county of Knox, known as Ragged island, is hereby set off from said Matinicus Isle plantation, and organized into a plantation, by the name of Criehaven, and is hereby invested with all the powers and privileges, and subjected to all the powers and duties incident to other organized plantations.

Ragged Island set off and organized into a plantation.

—name.

Sect. 2. The several inhabitants of Matinicus Isle plantation, on the territory hereby set off, shall be holden to pay all taxes which have been legally assessed upon them by said Matinicus Isle plantation.

Inhabitants set off, holden to pay all taxes.

Sect. 3. All property now belonging to said Matinicus Isle plantation, shall remain the property of said Matinicus Isle plantation, and all debts and liabilities of said Matinicus Isle plantation now existing, or which may hereafter arise in consequence of any acts or causes of action now existing, shall be paid by said Matinicus Isle plantation.

Property belonging to Matinicus Isle shall remain the property of said plantation.

Sect. 4. All inhabitants living on the territory hereby set off shall have a right to vote in the plantation of Criehaven at its next annual March meeting, provided, they would have had a legal right to vote in Matinicus Isle plantation on the same day, had not this act taken effect.

When inhabitants shall have right to vote.

Sect. 5. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 3, 1807.

**Chapter 387.**

An Act to authorize the Town of Richmond to purchase the property and franchises of the Richmond Water Company, and to incorporate the Richmond Water Commissioners.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The inhabitants of the town of Richmond are hereby authorized to purchase the franchises and property of the Richmond Water Company, and to issue bonds therefor in whole or in part to be known as Richmond water bonds in such amount and at such rate and on such time as said inhabitants shall vote as hereinafter provided.

Town authorized to purchase franchise of water company.

—may issue bonds.

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Company  
authorized  
to convey  
its fran-  
chises.

Sect. 2. The Richmond Water Company is hereby authorized to sell, transfer and convey its franchises and property to the town of Richmond, or to the Richmond Water Commissioners hereinafter incorporated.

Town may  
vote to in-  
struct offi-  
cers to pur-  
chase fran-  
chises.

Sect. 3. At any meeting of the inhabitants of said town they may by a majority vote instruct the municipal officers thereof to purchase said franchises and property at such price and upon such conditions as shall be then voted.

Town shall  
succeed to  
all rights.

Sect. 4. The town of Richmond, in case it shall so purchase the franchises and property of said Richmond Water Company, shall succeed to all the rights and privileges of said company, and be subject to all its duties.

Board of  
Richmond  
Water Com-  
missioners,  
created.

Sect. 5. The selectmen of Richmond in office, on the approval of this act by the governor, and their successors, to be hereafter elected in accordance with law, are hereby created a body corporate and politic, by the name of the Richmond Water Commissioners, and as such shall have a common seal, and power to sue and be sued. The Richmond Water Commissioners shall elect a president from among their own number, and shall elect a clerk, and choose such other officers as the town of Richmond may hereafter designate by ordinance. The town treasurer of the town of Richmond, for the time being, shall be treasurer, ex-officio, of the Richmond Water Commissioners, and shall keep the accounts of the money received and disbursed by him as treasurer of the town separate and distinct from those of the money received and disbursed by him as treasurer of said Richmond Water Commissioners.

—officers.

Powers and  
duties.

Sect. 6. The powers and duties of said Richmond Water Commissioners shall be those prescribed by such ordinances as the town of Richmond may, from time to time, ordain.

May issue  
bonds.

Sect. 7. The Richmond Water Commissioners are hereby authorized to issue the bonds of the corporation, to be known as the Richmond Water Commissioners' bonds, at such rates and on such times as may be approved by the town and for such amount, not exceeding sixty thousand dollars, as the town may approve; and the proceeds of the sale of said bonds shall be used exclusively for the purpose of paying the floating indebtedness incurred by the town of Richmond in the purchase and extension of the system of water works by this act authorized, and for such future extensions and improvements as may be approved by the said town, or for the purchase by said commissioners by this act authorized.

—proceeds,  
how used.

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Sect. 8. The town of Richmond is hereby authorized to convey to the Richmond Water Commissioners, the corporation hereby created, in trust, all the property to be purchased by said town of the Richmond Water Company, under the provisions of this act, together with all additions, extensions and improvements made to said system of water works, for the sole purpose of securing the payment of the bonds issued under the provisions of section seven of this act, and for no other purpose. In like manner the Richmond Water Company may convey its property and franchises direct to said commissioners. Said Richmond Water Commissioners, in either case, may hold said property in trust for said purpose. And said system of water works shall be holden for payment of said bonds and their coupons, and said bonds and their coupons shall constitute a first lien thereon, subject to any existing incumbrance; and said lien shall not be impaired by said town or by said Richmond Water Commissioners until all said bonds and coupons issued hereunder shall have been paid and said trust discharged.

Town authorized to convey to the commissioners in trust, all property.

Water company may convey property and franchise in like manner, to commissioners.

—bonds shall constitute lien.

Sect. 9. In case of default in the payment of any of said bonds, or the coupons attached thereto, when due, any holder thereof may petition the supreme judicial court for the county of Sagadahoc, by bill in equity, for the benefit of himself, as well as for the benefit of all other holders of said bonds, and said court may enforce said lien, by appointment of receiver and by sale of said property, according to the usual practice in equity proceedings.

How lien may be enforced.

Sect. 10. The rates for the supply of water, charged and collected by said Richmond Water Commissioners, shall be fixed so that all expenses for repairs and management shall be paid annually, together with interest on the cost of the purchase of said system of water works by the town, and on the cost of all extensions thereto, and in addition thereto, not less than one per cent of said principal expenditures.

Rates for water.

Sect. 11. Said Richmond Water Commissioners shall invest the said one per cent of the principal expenditures mentioned in section six of this act as a sinking fund, in such securities as savings banks in this state are by law authorized to invest in. Any surplus of the receipts of said Richmond Water Commissioners remaining at the end of the municipal year after paying for all repairs, operating expenses, extensions and interest charges as aforesaid, and said one per cent for the sinking

Sinking fund created.

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—how ap-  
plied.

Savings  
banks may  
invest in  
bonds.

Town may  
assume in-  
debtedness.

—when trust  
may be dis-  
charged.

Shall not  
mortgage  
property.

All powers  
not con-  
ferred on  
commis-  
sioners,  
shall be  
vested in  
town.

—town lia-  
ble for all  
damages.

fund, said Richmond Water Commissioners shall likewise invest as aforesaid, and place in said sinking fund. And said Richmond Water Commissioners may, when necessary, reinvest any of said securities. Said sinking fund and its accumulations shall be held solely for the purpose of redeeming and paying the principal of said bonds. Said town treasurer shall be the custodian of the sinking fund.

Sect. 12. Bonds issued under the provisions of this act may be purchased and held by savings banks in this state.

Sect. 13. The town of Richmond may assume the indebtedness represented by said bonds whenever it can constitutionally do so, by exchanging its own bonds for the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, and said bonds shall so provide. Bonds so providing shall be deemed negotiable. And whenever all of the indebtedness is thus assumed by the exchange of bonds, or whenever said bonds and their coupons are all paid, said trust shall thereupon be discharged, on petition of said town of Richmond, or said Richmond Water Commissioners, to the supreme judicial court for the county of Sagadahoc, sitting in equity, and said property, shall be reconveyed to said town of Richmond, discharged of said trust.

Sect. 14. Said Richmond Water Commissioners shall not sell, mortgage, or in any way dispose of said property, but shall hold the same solely for the purposes of the trust provided for by this act.

Sect. 15. All duties and powers necessary to be exercised with respect to said system of water works not conferred upon said Richmond Water Commissioners by the act, or by any ordinances to be hereafter ordained by said town, shall be vested in the town of Richmond. The town of Richmond, and not said Richmond Water Commissioners, shall be liable for all damages occasioned under and through the use of the franchises of the said Richmond Water Company, and for such other defaults as said town would have been liable for had not the trust therein provided for been created.

Sect. 16. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 3, 1897.

**Chapter 388.**

An Act to extend the rights and powers of the corporation organized December sixteen, eighteen hundred and ninety-two, under the Revised Statutes of Maine, chapter fifty-five, as the Bangor General Hospital, and now named Eastern Maine General Hospital.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The organization of said corporation as now existing, is hereby ratified, confirmed and made valid.

Organiza-  
tion made  
valid.

Sect. 2. The change of name to Eastern Maine General Hospital is hereby ratified, confirmed and made valid, but all gifts, bequests or devises under either name shall be valid and binding, and the trustees shall have the power to cause proper transfers and conveyances to be made in order to place title in the proper name.

Change of  
name con-  
firmed.

Sect. 3. In addition to the trustees elected by the corporation, there shall be three trustees chosen by the board of visitors, hereinafter provided for, and said board shall have sole power of removal of, and of filling vacancies among said three trustees.

Additional  
trustees  
provided for.

Sect. 4. Said corporation may receive and hold property and estate to any amount, whether real, personal or mixed, whether now owned by it or which may hereafter be purchased by, or given, granted, bequeathed or devised to it for hospital purposes, and by it thus accepted.

Corpora-  
tion may  
hold prop-  
erty.

Sect. 5. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 8, 1897.

**Chapter 389.**

An Act to amend Chapter two hundred and ninety-eight of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Canton Bridge Company."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. To amend section two of said act by striking out in the fourth line of said section the words "twenty-four," and inserting instead the word 'twenty,' so that said section shall read as follows:

Charter,  
Canton  
Bridge  
Company,  
amended.

'Sect. 2. Said bridge shall be erected across the Androscoggin river within the limits aforesaid, shall be constructed of

Location  
and con-  
struction.

**CHAP. 390** good materials, of a suitable height from the water, and not less than twenty feet wide, with suitable and sufficient covering or railing for the safety of passengers; and sufficient passage way shall be left for the passage of boats, rafts, logs and timber.'

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 3, 1897.

### **Chapter 390.**

An Act to extend the charter of the Waterville and Wiscasset Railroad Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Charter extended for two years.

Sect. 1. That the rights, powers and privileges of the Waterville and Wiscasset Railroad Company, which were granted by chapter three hundred and seventeen of the private and special laws of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-five, are hereby extended for two years additional; and the persons named in said act, their associates and successors, shall have all the rights, powers and privileges that were granted them by said act, to be exercised in the same manner and for the same purposes as specified in said act.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 3, 1897.

### **Chapter 391.**

An Act relating to the extension of time of charter of Bluehill Trust and Banking Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Charter extended two years.

Sect. 1. The rights, powers and privileges of the Bluehill Trust and Banking Company which were granted by chapter two hundred and seventy-two of the private and special laws for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-five are hereby extended for two years additional.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 3, 1897.

**Chapter 392.**

An Act to incorporate the Dexter Safe Deposit and Trust Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Samuel S. Ireland, Frank H. Hayes, Clarence L. Tanner, Lafayette B. Waldron, Hosea B. Rackliff, John L. Morrison, Silas N. Wheeler, Abner Shepherd, Nathan Daggett, Wilbur A. Bumps, Shepherd S. Watson, Lewis W. Jose, Owen E. Blackden, Albert W. Keyte, Harry J. Weymouth, Frank E. Burgess, Edgar A. Russ, H. W. Blaisdell, Lafayette Bridge, Charles E. Hanson, Scott O. Jose, William H. Eldridge, D. C. Skillin, John B. Eastus, Arthur W. Stone, or such of them as may by vote accept this charter, with their associates, successors and assigns are hereby made a body corporate and politic, to be known as the Dexter Safe Deposit and Trust Company, and as such shall be possessed of all the powers, privileges and immunities and subject to all the duties and obligations conferred on corporations by law.

Corpora-  
tors.

Corporate  
name.

Sect. 2. The corporation hereby created shall be located at Dexter, Penobscot county.

Location.

Sect. 3. The purposes of said corporation and the business which it may perform, are; first, to receive on deposit, money, coin, bank notes, evidences of debt, accounts of individuals, companies, corporations, municipalities, and states, allowing interest thereon, if agreed, or as the by-laws of said corporation may provide; second, to borrow money, to loan money on credits, or real estate, or personal security, and to negotiate loans and sales for others; third, to own and maintain safe deposit vaults, with boxes, safes, and other facilities therein to be rented to other parties for the safe keeping of moneys, securities, stocks, jewelry, plate, valuable papers and documents, and other property susceptible of being deposited therein, and may receive on deposit for safe keeping, property of any kind entrusted to it for that purpose; fourth, to act as agent for issuing, registering and countersigning certificates, bonds, stocks, and all evidences of debt or ownership in property; fifth, to hold by grant, assignment, transfer, devise or bequest, any real or personal property or trusts duly created, and to execute trusts of every description; sixth, to act as assignee, receiver, executor, and no surety shall be necessary upon the bond of the corporation, unless the court or officer approving such bond

Powers.

**CHAP. 392** shall require it; seventh, to do in general all the business that may lawfully be done by a trust and banking company, but said corporation shall not have the power or authority to establish branches.

**Capital stock.**

**—shall not commence business until \$50,000 has been paid in.**

**Shall not make loans on shares of its own stock.**

**Corporate powers vested in board of trustees.**

**—executive board.**

**—vacancies, how filled.**

**Trustees shall constitute a board of investment.**

Sect. 4. The capital stock of said corporation shall not be less than fifty thousand dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, with the right to increase the said capital stock at any time by a vote of the shareholders to any amount not exceeding five hundred thousand dollars. Said corporation shall not commence business as a trust or banking company until stock to the amount of at least fifty thousand dollars shall have been subscribed and paid in, in cash.

Sect. 5. Said corporation shall not make any loan or discount on the security of the shares of its own capital stock, nor be the purchaser or holder of any such shares unless necessary to prevent loss upon a debt previously contracted in good faith; and all stock so acquired shall within six months from the time of its acquisition be disposed of at public or private sale.

Sect. 6. All the corporate powers of this corporation shall be exercised by a board of trustees, who shall be residents of this state, whose number and term of office shall be determined by a vote of the shareholders at the first meeting held by the incorporators and at each annual meeting thereafter. The affairs and powers of the corporation may, at the option of the shareholders, be entrusted to an executive board of five members, to be, by vote of the shareholders, elected from the full board of trustees. The trustees of said corporation shall be sworn to the proper discharge of their duties, and they shall hold office until others are elected and qualified in their stead. If a trustee or director dies, resigns, or becomes disqualified for any cause, the remaining trustees or directors may appoint a person to fill the vacancy until the next annual meeting of the corporation. The oath of office of such trustee or director shall be taken within thirty days of his election, or his office shall become vacant. The clerk of such corporation shall, within ten days, notify such trustees or directors of their election, and within thirty days shall publish the list of all persons who have taken the oath of office as trustees or directors.

Sect. 7. The board of trustees or directors of said corporation shall constitute the board of investment of said corporation. Said trustees or directors shall keep in a separate book, specially provided for the purpose, a record of all loans, and invest-



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ments of every description, made by said institution substantially in the order of time when such loans or investments are made, which shall show that such loans or investments have been made with the approval of the investment committee of said corporation, which shall indicate such particulars respecting such loans or investments as the bank examiner shall direct. This book shall be submitted to the trustees or directors and to the bank examiner whenever requested. Such loans or investments shall be classified in the book as the bank examiner may direct. No loan shall be made to an officer or director of said banking or trust company except by the unanimous approval of the executive board in writing, and said corporation shall have no authority to hire money or to give notes unless by vote of the said board duly recorded.

—shall keep record of all loans.

—how loans may be made to directors.

Sect. 8. No person shall be eligible to the position of a director or trustee of said corporation who is not the actual owner of ten shares of the stock.

Eligibility of directors and trustees.

Sect. 9. Said corporation, after beginning to receive deposits, shall, at all times, have on hand in lawful money, as a reserve, not less than fifteen per cent of the aggregate amount of its deposits which are subject to withdrawal on demand, provided, that in lieu of lawful money, two-thirds of said fifteen per cent may consist of balances payable on demand, due from any national or state bank.

Reserve fund.

Sect. 10. All the property or money held in trust by this corporation shall constitute a special deposit and the accounts thereof and of said trust department shall be kept separate, and such funds and the investment or loans of them shall be especially appropriated to the security and payment of such deposits, and not be subject to any other liabilities of the corporation; and for the purpose of securing the observance of this proviso, said corporation shall have a trust department in which all business pertaining to such trust property shall be kept separate and distinct from its general business.

Trust funds shall constitute special deposit.

—trust department.

Sect. 11. An administrator, executor, assignee, guardian, or trustee, any court of law or equity, including courts of probate and insolvency, officers and treasurers of towns, cities, counties, and savings banks of the state of Maine may deposit any moneys, bonds, stocks, evidences of debt or of ownership in property, or any personal property, with said corporation, and any of said courts may direct any person deriving authority from them to so deposit the same.

Administrators, etc., may deposit with.

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Responsi-  
bility of  
sharehold-  
ers.

Sect. 12. Each shareholder of this corporation shall be individually responsible for all contracts, debts and engagements of said corporation to a sum equal to the amount of the par value of the shares owned by him, in addition to the amount invested in said shares.

Guaranty  
fund.

Sect. 13. Such corporation shall set apart as a guaranty fund not less than ten per cent of its net earnings in each and every year until such fund with the accumulated interest thereon, shall amount to one-fourth of the capital stock of said corporation.

Taxation.

Sect. 14. The shares of said corporation shall be subject to taxation in the same manner and rate as are the shares of national banks.

Subject to  
examina-  
tion by  
bank exami-  
ner.

Sect. 15. Said corporation shall be subject to examination by the bank examiner, who shall visit it at least once in every year, and as much oftener as he may deem expedient. At such visits he shall have free access to its vaults, books and papers, and shall thoroughly inspect and examine all the affairs of said corporation, and make such inquiries as may be necessary to ascertain its condition and ability to fulfill all its engagements. If upon examination of said corporation the examiner is of the opinion that its investments are not in accordance with law, or said corporation is insolvent, or its condition is such as to render its further proceedings hazardous to the public or to those having funds in its custody, or is of the opinion that it has exceeded its powers or failed to comply with any of the rules or restrictions provided by law, he shall have such authority and take such action as is provided for in the case of savings banks by chapter forty-seven of the revised statutes. He shall preserve in a permanent form a full record of his proceedings, including a statement of the condition of said corporation. A copy of such statement shall be published by said corporation immediately after the annual examination of the same in some newspaper published where said corporation is established. If no paper is published in the town where said corporation is established, then it shall be published in a newspaper printed in the nearest city or town. The necessary expenses of the bank examiner while engaged in making such examination shall be paid by said corporation.

—proceed-  
ings, when  
corpora-  
tion is in-  
solvent.

—shall keep  
record of  
proceed-  
ings.

First meet-  
ing, how  
called.

Sect. 16. Any five of the corporators named in this act may call the first meeting of this corporation by mailing a written notice, signed by all, postage paid, to each of the other corpo-

rators, seven days at least before the day of the meeting, naming the time, place and purpose of such meeting, and at such meeting the necessary officers may be chosen, by-laws adopted and any other corporate business transacted.

Sect. 17. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 3, 1897.

### Chapter 393.

An Act to incorporate the Warren Water Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. William F. Wight, K. F. Wight, A. J. Wight, B. J. Whittier, and J. T. Robinson, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby made a corporation by the name of the Warren Water Company, for the purpose of supplying the town of Warren, in the county of Knox, and the inhabitants of said town, with pure water for domestic, sanitary, and municipal purposes, including extinguishment of fires.

Corpora-  
tors.

Corporate  
name.

—purposes.

Sect. 2. Said company, for said purposes, may retain, collect, take, store, use and distribute water from any springs within a radius of two miles from the post office in said Warren, except such springs as are in actual use for supplying water for domestic purposes, and may locate, construct and maintain cribs, reservoirs, aqueducts, gates, pipes, hydrants and all other necessary structures therefor.

May take  
water and  
construct  
reservoirs,  
etc.

Sect. 3. Said company is hereby authorized to lay, construct and maintain in, under, through, along and across the highways, ways, streets and bridges in said town and to take up, replace and repair all such sluices, aqueducts, pipes, hydrants and structures as may be necessary for the purposes of its incorporation, so as not to unreasonably obstruct the same, under such reasonable restrictions and conditions as the selectmen of said town may impose. It shall be responsible for all damages to persons and property occasioned by the use of such highways, ways and streets, and shall further be liable to pay to said town all sums recovered against said town for damages for obstruction caused by said company, and for all expenses, including reasonable counsel fees incurred in defending such suits, with interest on the same, provided said com-

May lay  
pipes, etc.,  
through  
any high-  
way.

—responsi-  
ble for all  
damages.

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Manner of crossing any railroad, shall be determined by railroad commissioners.

May cross any private or public sewer.

—shall not obstruct public travel.

May take springs and lands and lay pipes.

—shall file plans of location in registry of deeds.

Damages, how assessed in case of disagreement.

pany shall have notice of such suits and opportunity to defend the same. In case any pipes are laid across the right of way of any railroad company, if unable to agree with such railroad company as to place, manner and conditions of crossing its railroad with such pipes, the place, manner and conditions of such crossing shall be determined by the railroad commissioners and all work within the limits of the railroad location shall be done under the supervision and to the satisfaction of the officers and agents of said railroad company, but at the expense of said water company.

Sect. 4. Said company shall have power to cross any water course, private and public sewer, or to change the direction thereof when necessary for the purposes of its incorporation, but in such manner as not to obstruct or impair the use thereof, and it shall be liable for any injury caused thereby. Whenever said company shall lay down any fixture in any highway, way or street, or make any alterations or repairs upon its works in any highway, way or street, it shall cause the same to be done with as little obstruction to public travel as may be practicable, and shall at its own expense, without unnecessary delay, cause the earth and pavements there removed by it to be replaced in proper condition.

Sect. 5. Said company may take and hold any springs as limited in section two, and also any lands necessary therefor and for reservoirs, and other necessary structures, and may locate, lay and maintain aqueducts, pipes, hydrants and other necessary structures or fixtures in, over and through any lands for its said purposes, and excavate in and through such lands for such location, construction and maintenance. It may enter upon such lands to make surveys and location, and shall file in the registry of deeds for said county of Knox, plans of such location and lands, showing the property taken, and within thirty days thereafter, publish notice of such filing in some newspaper in said county, such publication to be continued three weeks successively. Not more than one rod in width of land shall be occupied by any one line of pipe or aqueduct.

Sect. 6. Should the said company and the owner of such land so taken be unable to agree upon the damages to be paid for such location, taking, holding and construction, the land owner may, within twelve months after said filing of plans of location, apply to the commissioners of said county of Knox, and cause such damages to be assessed in the same manner

and under the same conditions, restrictions and limitations as are by law prescribed in the case of damages by the laying out of highways, so far as such law is consistent with the provisions of this act. If said company shall fail to pay such land owner, or deposit for his use with the clerk of the county commissioners aforesaid, such sum as may be finally awarded as damages, with costs when recovered by him, within ninety days after notice of final judgment shall have been received by the clerk of courts of said county, the said location shall be thereby invalid, and said company forfeit all rights under the same as against such land owner. Said company may make a tender to any land owner damaged under the provisions of this act, and if such land owner recovers more damages than were tendered him by said company, he shall recover costs, otherwise said company shall recover costs. In case said company shall begin to occupy such lands before the rendition of final judgment, the land owner may require said company to file its bond to him with said county commissioners, in such sum and with such sureties as they approve, conditioned for said payment or deposit. No action shall be brought against said company for such taking, holding and occupation, until after such failure to pay or deposit as aforesaid. Failure to apply for damages within three years by the land owner, shall be held to be a waiver of the same.

—if damage is not paid within 90 days, location invalidated.

Sect. 7. Any person suffering damage by the taking of water by said company as provided by this act, may have his damages assessed in the manner provided in the preceding section, and payment therefor shall be made in the same manner and with the same effect. No action shall be brought for the same until after the expiration of the time of payment. And a tender by said company may be made with the same effect as in the preceding section.

Damages for taking water, how assessed.

Sect. 8. Said corporation is hereby authorized to make contracts with the United States, and with corporations, and inhabitants of said town of Warren for the purpose of supplying water as contemplated by this act; and said town of Warren by its selectmen, or any village corporation therein, by its assessors, is hereby authorized to enter into contract with said company for a supply of water for public uses on such terms and for such time as the parties may agree, which when made, shall be legal and binding on all parties thereto, and said town of Warren for this purpose may raise money in the same manner as for other

May contract to supply water.

—town may contract for water.

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—may sell  
water to  
another  
company.

Capital  
stock.

May hold  
real and  
personal es-  
tate.

May issue  
bonds and  
mortgage  
property.

First meet-  
ing, how  
called.

When act  
shall be  
void.

town charges. Said corporation is further authorized to sell water to any incorporated water company with the pipes of which the pipes of said Warren Water Company may connect.

Sect. 9. The capital stock of said company shall not exceed fifty thousand dollars, and said stock shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each.

Sect. 10. Said company for all of its said purposes, may hold real and personal estate necessary and convenient therefor, not exceeding in amount two hundred thousand dollars.

Sect. 11. Said company may issue its bonds for the construction of its works of any and all kinds upon such rates and time as it may deem expedient, to an amount not exceeding in all the capital stock of said corporation subscribed for, and secure the same by mortgage or mortgages of the franchise and property of said company.

Sect. 12. The first meeting of said company may be called by a written notice thereof, signed by any corporator herein named, served upon each corporator by giving him the same in hand, or by leaving the same at his last usual place of abode, seven days before the time of meeting.

Sect. 13. This act shall become null and void in two years from the day when the same shall take effect, unless said company shall have organized and commenced actual business under this charter.

Sect. 14. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 3, 1897.

### Chapter 394.

An Act to amend Chapter five hundred and fifty of the Private Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Mousam River Railroad Company."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Chapter 550,  
private laws,  
1889,  
amended.

Sect. 1. Chapter five hundred and fifty of the private laws of eighteen hundred and eighty nine, is hereby amended by adding section eight, and by striking out the word "and" between the words "Lyman" and "Kennebunk" in the thirteenth line, and striking out the words "to some point at or near the village of Kennebunk" in the thirteenth and fourteenth lines, and adding after the word "Kennebunk" in the said thirteenth line 'across

the Kennebunk river at some point not less than one and one-half miles above the draw bridge at Kennebunkport and continue to some point at or near the village of Cape Porpoise, on a line which shall nowhere be within a mile and a half of the Kennebunkport branch of the Boston and Maine Railroad,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 1. Ernest M. Goodall, Charles H. Frost, Hartley Lord, Nathan Dane, George B. Goodall, Sidney T. Fuller, B. C. Jordan, M. C. Maling, Louis B. Goodall, Ivory Littlefield, George H. Nowell and R. W. Lord, their associates and successors, are hereby incorporated under the name of the Mousam River Railroad Company, with all the powers and rights and subject to all the liabilities and duties of railroad corporations as provided by the general statutes of Maine, and said corporation is hereby authorized to locate, construct and complete, alter, equip, operate and keep in repair a railroad of standard gauge, from some point in the town of Sanford, near the village of Springvale, through the towns of Alfred, Lyman, Kennebunk, across the Kennebunk river at some point not less than one and one-half miles above the draw bridge at Kennebunkport and continue to some point at or near the village of Cape Porpoise on a line which shall nowhere be within a mile and a half of the Kennebunkport branch of the Boston and Maine Railroad.'

Corporators.

—corporate name.

—authorized to construct a railroad.

—location.

Sect. 2. Section five of said chapter five hundred and fifty is hereby amended by striking out the words "one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six" in the fifth line of said section and inserting in lieu thereof the words 'one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine,' so that said section as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 5, amended.

'Sect. 5. If said corporation is not organized and the location of its route according to actual survey, is not filed with the county commissioners of the county in which the same is located on or before the first day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, and in case at least one quarter part of the entire length of said road is not constructed, then this act shall be null and void as to such part of said road as is not so completed by said date.'

When act shall be void.

Sect. 3. Add section eight.

'Sect. 8. Said Mousam River Railroad Company is hereby authorized to sell light, power and heat to the towns of Sanford, Alfred and Kennebunkport, and said towns are hereby authorized to purchase the same of said company.'

Section added.

—authorized to sell light, heat and power.

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Section 8,  
amended.

Sect. 4. Strike out the numeral "eight" in section eight and insert in place thereof the numeral 'nine,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 9. This act shall take effect when approved.'

Approved March 3, 1897.

### Chapter 395.

An Act to amend the charter of the Brunswick Electric Railroad Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Company  
authorized  
to extend  
line into and  
through  
town of Lis-  
bon.

Sect. 1. The Brunswick Electric Railroad Company is authorized to extend its lines and to construct, build and maintain a street railroad, to be operated by animal power or electricity, from its existing line in Brunswick and Topsham, through said municipalities to, into and through the town of Lisbon, over such streets, roads, highways, bridges and tide waters in said municipalities as shall from time to time be fixed and determined by the municipal officers thereof, subject to all the restrictions, obligations and liabilities of its existing charter, with amendments thereto, heretofore, hereby or hereafter made, and with all the rights, powers and privileges therein contained.

Chapter 113,  
private  
laws, 1896,  
repealed.

Sect. 2. Chapter one hundred and thirteen of the private and special laws for the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five is hereby repealed.

May extend  
lines to  
boundary  
line of Bath.

Sect. 3. The said corporation is authorized to extend its existing line to the boundary line between Brunswick and Bath over such streets, ways and bridges as the municipal officers of said Brunswick may from time to time determine, with the powers and liabilities mentioned in section one hereof. Said corporation is further authorized to construct and maintain its railroad across and over the tide waters of the New Meadows river under such restrictions and regulations as may be imposed by the municipal officers of the towns interested.

—may ex-  
tend line to  
New Mead-  
ows river.

Charter of  
Bath Street  
Railway  
Company,  
restricted.

Sect. 4. So much of section one of chapter six hundred and thirty-six of the private and special laws for the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three as authorizes the Bath Street Railway Company to construct, build and maintain a street railroad in the town of Brunswick from the line between



Brunswick and Bath to the Maine Central depot in Brunswick, CHAP. 395  
is hereby repealed.

Sect. 5. The Brunswick Electric Railroad Company is further authorized to construct, build and maintain a street railroad from the boundary line between Bath and Brunswick to a connection with the tracks of the Bath Street Railway Company upon and over such streets in said city not occupied by the Bath Street Railway Company as shall from time to time be fixed and determined by the municipal officers of said city of Bath, and assented to in writing by said Bath Street Railway Company; provided, however, that said Brunswick Electric Railroad Company shall within the said city of Bath be subject to all the obligations and liabilities now imposed upon the Bath Street Railway Company by its existing charter, and amendments thereto, and the said Brunswick Electric Railroad Company shall upon the streets in said city of Bath by it lawfully occupied hereunder have all the powers and privileges now held by the Bath Street Railway Company under its charter aforesaid and amendments thereto.

May build a street railroad from Bath boundary line, to connect with Bath Street Railway.

—obligations and liabilities.

Sect. 6. No other corporation or person shall be permitted to construct or maintain any street railroad over the same streets, roads or ways that may be lawfully occupied by the said Brunswick Electric Railroad Company, but any person or corporation lawfully operating any street railroad to any point to which the tracks of said corporation extend may enter upon, connect with and use the same on such terms and in such manner as may be agreed upon between the parties, or if they shall not agree, to be determined by the railroad commissioners; and the said Brunswick Electric Railroad Company shall, under like restrictions, have the same power to enter upon, connect with and use the street railroad of any corporation operating any street railroad to any point to which the tracks of said Brunswick Electric Railroad Company extend.

Exclusive right.

—other lines may connect with company's line.

Sect. 7. Section five of chapter three hundred and six of the private and special laws for the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine is hereby repealed.

Section 5, chapter 306, repealed.

Sect. 8. The capital stock of said company shall not exceed five hundred thousand dollars, to be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each.

Capital stock.

Sect. 9. Said Brunswick Electric Railroad Company is authorized to lease all of its property and franchises on such terms as it may determine. Also to consolidate with or to

May lease its property and franchises or consolidate

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with other  
lines.

acquire by lease, purchase or otherwise, the lines, property and franchises of any street railroad, or street railroads, whose lines as constructed or chartered would form connecting or continuing lines with the lines of said Brunswick Electric Railroad Company as constructed or chartered, and in such case the Brunswick Electric Railroad Company shall be entitled to all the privileges and be subject to all appropriate conditions and limitations contained in the charters and franchises thus united with or acquired. Any street railroad company whose lines as constructed or chartered would form connecting or continuing lines with the lines of the Brunswick Electric Railroad Company as constructed or chartered is hereby authorized to consolidate with, or to lease or sell its lines, property and franchises as in this section authorized.

May issue  
bonds and  
mortgage  
property.

Sect. 10. Said corporation is hereby authorized to issue bonds in such amount, or amounts, and on such time as it may from time to time determine and to secure the same by mortgage, or mortgages, of its franchises and property, now or hereafter acquired.

Sections 10,  
11 and 12, re-  
pealed.

Sect. 11. Sections ten, eleven and twelve of chapter three hundred and six of the private and special laws for the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine are hereby repealed.

Sect. 12. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 3, 1887.

## Chapter 396.

An Act to incorporate the Orono Water Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Corpora-  
tors.

Sect. 1. Edward N. Mayo, Amos F. Lewis, Edgar E. Ring, Eben C. Webster, George H. Hamlin and Charles J. Dunn of Orono, with their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation by the name of the Orono Water Company, for the purpose of supplying the inhabitants of Orono with suitable water for domestic, sanitary and municipal purposes, including extinguishment of fire; with all the rights and privileges, and subject to all the liabilities and obligations of similar corporations under the general laws of this state.

—corporate  
name.

—purposes.

May take  
water from  
pipes of an-

Sect. 2. For any of the purposes aforesaid, or for the preservation and purity of said water, said corporation is hereby

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authorized to take directly or through the pipes of any other company upon such terms as may be agreed upon with such other company, and use water from the Penobscot river or its branches, or from any spring, pond, brook or other water sources, natural or artificial, except such springs as are in actual use for supplying water for domestic purposes, in the town of Orono; to conduct and distribute the same into and through the said town of Orono; to survey for, locate, lay, erect and maintain suitable dams, reservoirs and machinery, pipes, aqueducts and fixtures; to carry its pipes or aqueducts under, in and over the Penobscot river, or Stillwater river, so called, or under or over any water course, bridge, street, railroad, highway or other way; and said corporation is further authorized to enter upon and excavate any highway, or other way, in such manner as least to obstruct the same; to enter, pass over and excavate any lands, and to take and hold by purchase or otherwise, any real estate, rights of way or of water, and in general to do any acts necessary, convenient or proper, for carrying out any of the purposes hereinbefore specified. And said corporation is further authorized, for the purpose of making all needed repairs or extension or service connections, to lay its pipes through any public or private lands or ways, with the right to enter upon the same or dig therein, and said corporation may make written regulations for the use of said water, and change the same from time to time. But in case of failure to agree with any railroad company as to place, manner and conditions of crossing its railroad with such pipes or aqueducts, the place, manner and conditions of such crossing shall be determined by the railroad commissioners and all work within the limits of the railroad location shall be done under the supervision and to the satisfaction of the officers and agents of the railroad company, but at the expense of said water company.

other corporation or other sources.

—may lay pipes over rivers and highways.

—may lay pipes through public or private lands.

—manner of crossing any railroad, shall be determined by railroad commissioners.

Sect. 3. Said corporation may take and hold by lease or purchase, real or personal estate necessary and convenient for the purposes aforesaid, not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars.

May take and hold real estate.

Sect. 4. Said corporation shall be held liable to pay all damages that shall be sustained by any person or corporation by the taking of any land, water or other property, or by excavating through any land for the purpose of laying down pipes and aqueducts or building any reservoir, stand pipe or other structure herein authorized to be built, and also damages for any

Liable for all damages.

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—how as-  
certained  
in case of  
disagree-  
ment.

injury resulting from said acts, and if any person sustaining damages as aforesaid and said corporation cannot mutually agree upon the sum to be paid therefor, such damages may be ascertained in the same manner and under the same conditions and restrictions and limitations as are by law prescribed in the case of damages by the laying out of railroads.

Capital  
stock.

Sect. 5. The capital stock of said corporation shall not exceed one hundred thousand dollars, and shall be divided into shares of twenty-five dollars each, and any manufacturing corporation doing business in said Orono, is hereby authorized to subscribe for and to hold stock in said Orono Water Company. Said corporation is hereby authorized to contract with any corporation in said town to furnish power and other conveniences to carry out the purpose of this corporation.

May con-  
tract to  
supply  
water.

Sect. 6. Said corporation is hereby authorized to make contracts with the United States, the state of Maine, the county of Penobscot, the town of Orono, the Maine State College, and with other corporations and persons for the purpose of supplying water as contemplated by this act, and said town of Orono by its selectmen is hereby authorized to sign and execute any contract that may be entered into by the inhabitants of said town at any meeting legally called for that purpose, for a term of years with said company for a supply of water for fire and other municipal purposes to said town, including the exemption or remission of taxes upon any real estate, fixtures, franchise and plant of said corporation as a part of the consideration of said contract.

—town may  
contract for  
water and  
exempt  
from tax-  
ation.

May issue  
bonds and  
mortgage  
property.

Sect. 7. Said corporation may issue its bonds for the construction of its works in such amounts, not to exceed the amount of capital stock subscribed for, for such rates and times as it may deem expedient, and secure the same by mortgage upon the franchise and property of said corporation.

Land dam-  
ages, how  
paid in case  
of disagree-  
ment.

Sect. 8. In case any person injured by the taking of any land or other property for any of the purposes named herein and said corporation are unable to agree upon the amount of damage to be paid for said injury, said corporation may make a tender to any such person of any sum for such damages, and if such person recovers more damages than were tendered to him by said corporation, he shall recover costs, otherwise said corporation shall recover costs against said person. Failure, however, to apply for damages as aforesaid within one year

from the time said damages are sustained, shall be held to be a waiver of the same. CHAP. 397

Sect. 9. The first meeting of said corporation may be called by a written notice thereof signed by any other incorporator, served upon each incorporator by giving in hand or leaving the same at his last and usual place of abode seven days before the time of the meeting, and said first meeting shall be called and held in said town of Orono. First meeting, how called.

Sect. 10. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 3, 1897.

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## Chapter 397.

An Act to incorporate the Monson Water Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. J. F. Sprague, A. W. Chapin, Alvin Gray, H. G. Sherman, Joseph Davison, E. M. Bray, P. W. Knight, D. J. Jackson, Henry Hudson, George G. Proctor, their associates and successors are hereby made a corporation by the name of the Monson Water Company, for the purpose of conveying to, and of supplying the inhabitants of the town of Monson with water for all domestic, sanitary, municipal and commercial purposes; with all the rights and privileges, and subject to all the liabilities and obligations of similar corporations under the general laws of this state. Corporators.  
—corporate name.  
—purposes.

Sect. 2. Said corporation may take and hold, by purchase or otherwise, real and personal estate necessary and convenient for the purposes aforesaid, not exceeding fifty thousand dollars. May take and hold real estate.

Sect. 3. For any of the purposes aforesaid or for the preservation of the purity of said water, said corporation is hereby authorized to take and use water from either lake Hebron, otherwise known as Hebron pond, or from the Taylor spring, so called, in the Taylor lot, so called, now owned by A. W. Chapin, or from the Spectacle ponds, all in said Monson in the county of Piscataquis, to conduct aforesaid, to survey for, locate, lay, erect and maintain suitable dams, reservoirs, machinery, pipes, aqueducts and fixtures; to carry its pipes or aqueducts under or over any water course, bridge, street, railroad, highway or other way; and said corporation is further authorized May take water.

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—lay pipes  
over any  
water  
course.  
etc.

—lay pipes  
through  
any public  
public or  
private  
lands or  
ways.

Shall file  
plans of lo-  
cation in  
registry of  
deeds.

Liable for  
all damages.

—damages,  
how as-  
sessed in  
case of dis-  
agreement.

to enter upon and excavate any highway or other way, in such a manner as least to obstruct the same, to enter, pass over and excavate any lands, and to take and hold by purchase or otherwise, any real estate, rights of way, or of water, and in general do any acts necessary, convenient or proper for carrying out any of the purposes hereinbefore specified. And said corporation is further authorized for the purpose of making all needed repairs, or service connections, to lay its pipes through any public or private land or ways, with the right to enter upon the same and dig therein; and said corporation may establish written regulations for the use of the water aforesaid, and change the same from time to time.

Sect. 4. Said corporation shall file in the registry of deeds, in the county of Piscataquis, plans of the location of all land and water rights taken under the provisions of this act; and no entry shall be made on any lands except to make surveys, until the expiration of ten days from said filing; and with such plan the said corporation may file a statement of the damages it is willing to pay to any person for the property so taken, and if the amount finally awarded does not exceed that sum, said corporation shall recover costs against said person, otherwise such person shall recover costs against said corporation.

Sect. 5. Said corporation shall be held liable to pay all damages that shall be sustained by any persons, to themselves or their property, occasioned by the use of such streets and ways, and shall pay to said town all sums recovered against said town for damages from obstructions caused by said corporation, and for all expenses including reasonable counsel fees incurred in defending said suits with interest on the same, but said corporation may assume the defense of all suits brought to recover damages as aforesaid; and also for all damages sustained by any persons by the taking of any lands, water, right of way, or other property, or by excavating through any land for the purpose of surveying, locating, laying or building dams, reservoirs, pipes, aqueducts, and for any other injuries resulting from said acts, and if any person sustaining damages as aforesaid, shall not agree with said corporation upon the sum to be paid therefor, either party on petition to the county commissioners of Piscataquis county within twelve months after said plans are filed, may have said damage assessed by them and subsequent proceedings, and right of appeal thereon, shall be had in the same manner and under the same conditions, restrictions and limita-

tions, as are by law prescribed in the case of damages by the laying out of highways. Failure to apply for damages within twelve months shall be held to be a waiver of the same.

Sect. 6. Said corporation is hereby authorized to lay down and maintain in and through the streets and highways of the town aforesaid, all such pipes, aqueducts and fixtures, as may be necessary for the purposes hereinbefore specified. Said Monson is hereby authorized to contract with said corporation for a supply of said water, for fire or other purposes, for a term of years, and at the expiration of such contract to change or renew the same.

May lay  
pipes  
through  
highways.

—town may  
contract for  
water.

Sect. 7. The capital stock of said corporation shall not exceed fifty thousand dollars.

Capital  
stock.

Sect. 8. The first meeting of said corporation may be called by written notice thereof, signed by any two of the corporators herein named, served upon each corporator by giving him the same in hand, or by leaving the same at his last and usual place of abode, seven days at least before such meeting.

First meet-  
ing, how  
called.

Sect. 9. This act shall become null and void in two years from the time when the same takes effect, unless the corporation shall have organized and commenced the construction of its works under this charter.

When act  
shall be  
void.

Sect. 10. Said corporation is hereby authorized to issue bonds not exceeding the amount of its capital stock subscribed for, the same to be the first lien upon its franchise and property.

May issue  
bonds and  
mortgage  
property.

Sect. 11. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 3, 1897.

## Chapter 398.

An Act to extend the rights, powers and privileges of the Winn Water and Power Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The rights, powers and privileges of the Winn Water and Power Company which were granted by chapter one hundred and forty-five of the private and special laws of the state of Maine for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-five, are hereby extended for two years additional, and all rights, powers and privileges that were granted by said act to said com-

Rights of  
company,  
extended  
for two  
years.

**CHAP. 399** pany may and shall be exercised in the same manner and for the same purposes as provided in said act.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 3, 1897.

### Chapter 399.

An Act to repeal Chapter two hundred and twenty-four of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, prohibiting the taking of fish in Little Ossipee Pond and its tributaries.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Chapter 224,  
private  
laws, 1891,  
repealed.

Chapter two hundred and twenty-four of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one is hereby repealed.

Approved March 3, 1897.

### Chapter 400.

An Act to amend Sections four and six of Chapter three hundred and sixty-three of the Special Laws of eighteen hundred and fifty, relating to the election of City Assessors of the city of Belfast.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 4,  
chapter 363,  
special  
laws, 1850,  
amended.

Sect. 1. Section four of chapter three hundred and sixty-three of the special laws of eighteen hundred and fifty is hereby amended by inserting after the word "agents," in the twenty-fourth line thereof, the words 'except assessors.'

Section 6,  
amended.

Sect. 2. Section six of said chapter is hereby amended by striking out of said section the words "The city assessors, who shall be annually appointed by the city council," and inserting instead thereof the following: 'The city council shall, on the third Monday of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, elect three city assessors, one for the term of one year, one for the term of two years and one for the term of three years, and shall annually thereafter elect one city assessor for the term of three years; said assessors,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Election of  
assessors.

'Sect. 6. The city council shall, on the third Monday of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred



and ninety-seven, elect three city assessors, one for the term of **CHAP. 401**  
 one year, one for the term of two years and one for the term of  
 three years, and shall annually thereafter elect one city assessor  
 for the term of three years; said assessors shall execute and be  
 subject to the same powers, duties and liabilities that the assess-  
 —term.  
 —powers  
 and duties.  
 —taxes,  
 how as-  
 —sessed.  
 sors in the several towns in this state may exercise and be sub-  
 ject to, under existing laws; provided, however, that the city  
 council may appoint one person in each ward, whose duty it  
 shall be to furnish the assessors with all necessary informa-  
 tion relative to persons and property, taxable in his ward, and  
 who shall be sworn to the faithful performance of his duty. All  
 taxes shall be assessed, apportioned and collected in the manner  
 prescribed by the laws of the state relative to town taxes; pro-  
 vided, however, that it shall and may be lawful for the city coun-  
 cil to establish further and additional provisions for the collec-  
 tion thereof.'

Approved March 3, 1897.

## Chapter 401.

An Act to amend "An Act to incorporate the Meduxnekeag Hospital."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in  
 Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section four of chapter one hundred and forty-four  
 of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-  
 five is hereby amended by striking out the word "ten" in the  
 first line thereof and inserting the word 'five' so that said sec-  
 tion, when amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 4. Five of said corporators shall constitute a quorum  
 for the transaction of business. Said corporation shall have  
 power to make and establish such regulations and by-laws as  
 may be necessary for the choice of all proper officers; to pre-  
 scribe their duties and powers and to provide generally for the  
 internal government and economy of the hospital, such by-laws  
 not being repugnant to the laws of the state.'

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 3, 1897.

CHAP. 402**Chapter 402.**

An Act to establish a Board of Fire Commissioners for the City of Auburn.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Board of  
fire com-  
missioners  
for city of  
Auburn.

Sect. 1. The fire department of the city of Auburn shall hereafter be under the management and control of a board of fire commissioners, consisting of three members, who shall reside within the fire limits in said city, and shall serve without compensation.

Organiza-  
of fire com-  
missioners  
and depart-  
ment, con-  
firmed.  
—election of  
members.

Sect. 2. The organization of the board of fire commissioners, and fire department of said city, made under the ordinance thereof, ordained April third, eighteen hundred ninety-six, and the election of commissioners thereunder for the terms of three, two and one years respectively, are hereby confirmed and made valid. And hereafter, annually, on the third Monday in March, the city council shall elect, by ballot, one member of the board of fire commissioners for the term of three years. Any member of said board may be removed by the city council in the manner prescribed by the city charter for the removal of subordinate city officers. Any vacancy in said board may be filled for the unexpired term in the manner above described for election. Not more than two members of the same political party shall be elected. No member of said board shall be eligible to any salaried position under the commissioners.

—may be re-  
moved by  
council.

—vacancy,  
how filled.

Board shall  
keep record  
of proceed-  
ings.

Sect. 3. The board of fire commissioners shall keep a complete record of all its proceedings, which shall be open to the inspection of the city council or any member thereof. One of its members shall be chosen president, and another, secretary.

Duties shall  
be pre-  
scribed by  
ordinances  
of city.

Sect. 4. The board of fire commissioners shall have and exercise the powers and perform the duties which are or may be prescribed by ordinances of said city; and shall make such rules and regulations for the government of the fire department as they may deem advisable, subject to the approval of the city council.

Election of  
chief and  
assistant  
engineers.

Sect. 5. The board of fire commissioners shall, annually, in the month of April, elect the chief engineer and assistant engineers, subject to the approval of the municipal officers of said city, and may remove them, subject to like approval. Said engineers shall have and exercise all the powers, and be subject to all the duties of fire wards. The present chief engineer and assistant engineers shall hold office until their successors are

—powers  
and duties.

elected as herein provided. Said board shall appoint such engineers, fire police, and other subordinate officers and men as may be prescribed by ordinance of the city of Auburn.

Sect. 6. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 3, 1897.

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### Chapter 403.

An Act to enable the Town of Dexter to establish a system of Water Works and Sewerage.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The town of Dexter, in Penobscot county, is hereby authorized to establish a system of water works and sewerage for the purpose of supplying the town and its inhabitants with water for domestic, sanitary and municipal purposes including the extinguishment of fires, and for such sewerage as may be reasonable and proper.

Town authorized to establish water and sewerage works.

Sect. 2. Said town is hereby authorized to lay, construct and maintain in, under, through, along and across the highways, ways, streets, railroads, bridges and private property, and take up, replace and repair all such sluices, aqueducts, pipes, hydrants, ditches and sewers, as may be necessary for the purposes of this act, so as not unreasonably to obstruct, or unreasonably damage private property. It shall be responsible for all damages to persons and property occasioned by the use of said highways, ways, streets, ditches and sewers, and in the case of private property, for interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, from the time of the taking. In case of failure to agree with any railroad company, as to place, manner, and conditions of crossing its railroad with such pipe, the place, manner and conditions of such crossings shall be determined by the railroad commissioners, and all work within the limits of the railroad location shall be done under the supervision, and to the reasonable satisfaction of the officers and agents of the railroad company.

Authorized lay pipes in highways, etc.

—responsible for all damages.

—manner of crossing of any railroad, shall be determined by commissioners.

Sect. 3. Said town shall have power to cross any water course, private and public sewer, or to change the direction thereof when necessary, but in such manner as not to obstruct or impair the use thereof, and it shall be liable for any injury caused thereby. Whenever said town shall lay down any fix-

May cross any water course, private or public sewer.

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—shall not  
obstruct  
public  
travel.

May take  
water and  
land.

—shall file  
plans of  
location in  
registry of  
deeds in  
Penobscot  
county.

Damages,  
how as-  
sessed.

—failure to  
apply for  
damages  
within three  
years, shall  
be held to  
be waiver of  
same.

ture in any highway, way or street, or make any alterations or repairs upon its works in any highway, way or street, ditches or sewers, it shall cause the same to be done with as little obstruction to public travel, or with as little other inconvenience as may be practicable, and shall, without unnecessary delay, cause the earth and pavements there removed by it to be replaced in proper condition.

Sect. 4. Said town may take and hold any waters, as limited in section two, and also any land necessary for reservoirs and other necessary structures, and may locate, lay and maintain aqueducts, pipes, hydrants, ditches and sewers, and other necessary structures or fixtures in, over and through any land for its said purposes, and excavate in and through such land, for such location, construction and maintenance. It may enter upon such lands to make surveys and locations, and shall file in the registry of deeds for said county of Penobscot, plans of such location and lands, showing the property taken, and within thirty days thereafter, publish notice of such filing in some newspaper in said county, such publication to be continued three weeks successively. Not more than one rod in width of land shall be occupied by any one line of piping or aqueduct.

Sect. 5. Should the town and the owners of such land so taken be unable to agree upon the damages to be paid for such location, taking, holding and construction, the land owner may, within twelve months after said filing of plans and location, apply to the commissioners of said county of Penobscot, and cause such damages to be assessed in the same manner, and under the same conditions, restrictions and limitations as are by law prescribed in the case of damages by the laying out of highways, so far as such law is consistent with the provisions of the same. If said town shall fail to pay said land owner, or deposit for his use with the clerk of the county commissioners aforesaid, such sum as may be finally awarded as damages with costs recovered by him, within ninety days after notice of final judgment shall have been received by the clerk of courts of said county, the said location shall be thereby invalid, and said town forfeit all rights under the same, as against such land owner. Said town may make a tender to any land owner damaged under the provisions of this act, and if such land owner recovers more damages than were tendered him by said town, he shall recover costs, otherwise said town shall recover costs. Failure to apply

for damages within three years, by the land owner, shall be held to be a waiver of the same. CHAP. 403

Sect. 6. Any person suffering damages by the taking of water or other property by said town, as provided by this act, may have his damages assessed in the manner provided in the preceding section, and payment thereof shall be made in the same manner and with the same effect. No action shall be brought for the same until after the expiration of the time of payment, and a tender by said town may be made with the same effect, as in the preceding section.

Damages to any person, how assessed.

Sect. 7. Said town is hereby authorized to make contracts with the United States and with corporations and with any inhabitant of said town of Dexter, or of any village corporation therein which may hereafter be established, for the purpose of supplying water, and for other purposes as contemplated by this act. And any such village corporation, by its assessors, is hereby authorized to enter into contract with said town, or other parties for a supply of water and for other purposes contemplated by this act, on such terms and for such time as the parties may agree, which when made shall be legal and binding on all parties thereto, and said town or village corporation may raise money in the same manner as for other town or village purposes.

May contract to supply water.

—village corporation may contract for water.

Sect. 8. Said town, for all of its said purposes may hold real and personal estate necessary and convenient therefor not exceeding in amount one hundred thousand dollars.

May hold real estate.

Sect. 9. Said town may issue its bonds for the construction of its works, of any and all kinds, upon such rates and time, in such amount as it may deem expedient, to be called Dexter water works and sewerage bonds, but not to above the amount which singly or in the aggregate with previous debts and liabilities, shall exceed five per cent of the last regular valuation of said town.

Town may issue bonds.

Sect. 10. Any such village corporation that may hereafter be established in Dexter may, at any legal meeting duly called, vote to assume the franchises of said town granted by this act, upon such terms as it may choose. Upon such vote, the town may vote to transfer and assign to such village corporation, all the rights and franchises hereby granted, and it may thereafter exercise and enjoy the same, as fully as if granted to such village corporation direct.

Village corporation may assume franchises of town.

Sect. 11. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 3, 1897.

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## Chapter 404.

An Act relating to the Old Town Municipal Court.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 14,  
chapter 177,  
private  
laws, 1887,  
amended.

Sect. 1. The first paragraph of section fourteen of chapter one hundred and seventy-seven of the private and special laws of the state of Maine for the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven is hereby amended by adding after the words "disposed of" in the fourth line of said section, the words 'provided, that any action shall be in order for trial at the return term, when the party desiring it shall have given written notice thereof to the adverse party seven days before the sitting of said court,' so that said first paragraph, as amended, shall read:

When civil  
actions shall  
be entered  
and tried.

'All civil actions in said court shall be entered on the first day of the term and not afterwards, except by special permission; and they shall be in order for trial, except actions of forcible entry and detainer, at the next regular monthly term after the entry if not otherwise disposed of; provided, that any action shall be considered in order for trial at the return term, when the party so desiring it shall have given written notice thereof to the adverse party seven days before the sitting of said court.'

Section 6,  
amended.

Sect. 2. The third specification of section six, chapter one hundred and seventy-seven of the private and special laws of the state of Maine for the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven is hereby amended by striking out the word "fifty" in the third line of said specification and inserting therein the words 'one hundred,' and by striking out the word "three" in the fourth line of said specification and inserting therein the word 'six,' so that said specification, as amended, shall read as follows:

—jurisdic-  
tion.

'Third, of all other crimes, offenses and misdemeanors committed in said county, which are by law punishable by fine not exceeding one hundred dollars and by imprisonment not exceeding six months, and are not within the exclusive jurisdiction of some other municipal court.'

Section 1,  
chapter 6,  
private  
laws, 1895,  
amended.

Sect. 3. Section one of chapter six of the private and special laws of the state of Maine for the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five is hereby amended by striking out all of the last paragraph, being the last four lines of said section, and inserting therein the words 'the salary of the judge thereof is hereby fixed at one thousand dollars per year to be paid quar-

terly, which with all the other expenses of the said court shall be paid from the treasury of the county of Penobscot,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 1. The city of Old Town shall provide a properly furnished court room for holding the Old Town municipal court; and said court shall be held therein, and all civil processes shall be made returnable accordingly. The salary of the judge thereof is hereby fixed at one thousand dollars per year to be paid quarterly, which with all other expenses of said court shall be paid from the treasury of the county of Penobscot.'

City shall  
provide  
court room.

—salary of  
judge.

Sect. 4. The city marshal or one of his deputies shall be in attendance on said court when requested to do so by the judge, for the purpose of preserving order, and shall execute all legal orders and processes to him directed by the court.

City mar-  
shal or  
deputy shall  
attend  
court.

Sect. 5. All fines and forfeitures and fees of the judge and recorder of said court imposed and collected by said court in all criminal cases and all fees of said judge and recorder in civil and criminal cases received by said judge or recorder, shall be accounted for and paid over quarterly into the treasury of said county for the use of said county; and all fees of said court paid after commitment to any jailor shall be paid by him monthly into said treasury.

All fines  
shall be  
paid into  
treasury.

Sect. 6. All acts and parts of acts, inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed.

Inconsis-  
tent acts,  
repealed.

Approved March 5, 1887.

## Chapter 405.

An Act authorizing the governor and council to execute a contract for Water for the Maine State Prison.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The governor and council are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract, on behalf of the state of Maine, with the Camden and Rockland Water Company for a supply of water for fire and all other purposes, for the Maine state prison, and all buildings in Thomaston which belong to the state of Maine, for the period of ten years at the same annual rate or rental now paid under the contract between the state and said company, executed under the provisions of chapter forty-nine of the laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, payable

Contract  
for water  
for the  
State Pris-  
on.

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semi-annually in advance on the first days of January and July of each year; said term to commence at the expiration of said existing contract.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 5, 1897.

### Chapter 406.

An Act to authorize Frederick A. Staples to build and maintain a wharf into the tide waters of Piscataqua River in the town of Eliot, county of York.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Fred A. Staples, et als, authorized to erect wharf in Eliot.

Sect. 1. Frederick A. Staples and his assigns, is hereby authorized to erect, extend and maintain a wharf from his shore front on the east side of Piscataqua river, so called, into the tide waters of said Piscataqua river, in the town of Eliot, county of York, at South Eliot, so called.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 8, 1897.

### Chapter 407.

An Act to ratify and confirm the organization and acts of the New Portland and Eustis Telephone and Telegraph Company, and to make legal and valid certain doings of said company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Organization of company, ratified.

Sect. 1. The organization of the New Portland and Eustis Telephone and Telegraph Company, a corporation organized by special act of the legislature of the state of Maine, approved February twenty-third, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, and the certificate of organization of which corporation was filed in the office of the secretary of state on the twenty-first day of December, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and ninety-six, are hereby ratified and confirmed and declared to be legal and valid; notwithstanding any error or omission in the organization of said company and the filing of the certificate thereof.



Sect. 2. The construction of its lines and the location of its posts as now owned and operated by the New Portland and Eustis Telephone and Telegraph Company from North Anson in the county of Somerset and state of Maine, through Embden, New Portland, Lexington, Highland, Dead River and Flagstaff in said county of Somerset, to Eustis in Franklin county, all in the state of Maine, are hereby made legal and valid as though the same had been done strictly in accordance with chapter three hundred seventy-eight of the public laws of one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five.

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Construction and location of lines made valid.

Sect. 3. All claims for damages provided for in said chapter three hundred seventy-eight and all other rights of parties interested, shall be reserved for them the same as though the construction of said line and the location of said poles were made at the date when this act shall take effect.

Claims for damages and all rights reserved.

Sect. 4. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 8, 1897.

## Chapter 408.

An Act relating to the organization of the Washington County Railroad Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

The secretary of state is hereby authorized and instructed to return to the Washington County Railroad Company the sum of one thousand five hundred and twenty-five dollars now held by him subject to the order of the legislature and which was paid to him by said company under protest to secure its certificate of organization. The sum of one hundred dollars, also paid by said company, shall be in full for all claims due the state from said company, under the laws relating to corporations, and nothing herein contained shall in any manner affect the validity of its certificate of organization.

Fees of the Washington County Railroad Company, remitted.

Approved March 8, 1897.

CHAP. 409**Chapter 409.**

An Act relating to the Coburn Steamboat Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Company  
authorized  
to hold  
stock and  
bonds of  
other cor-  
porations.

Sect. 1. The Coburn Steamboat Company of Greenville in the state of Maine, is hereby authorized and empowered to acquire, hold and dispose of shares of the capital stock and mortgage bonds of other corporations, engaged in a similar business on Moosehead lake.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 8, 1897.

**Chapter 410.**

An Act in relation to the Rumford Falls and Buckfield Railroad Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Governor  
and council  
authorized  
to abate  
taxes of  
company.

Sect. 1. The governor and executive council are hereby authorized to examine the question of unpaid taxes assessed against the Rumford Falls and Buckfield Railroad Company while the same was in the hands of the court under receivership, with full authority to debate any portion or all of the same, or otherwise adjust the same by compromise as may seem proper.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 8, 1897.

**Chapter 411.**

An Act to authorizing the Rumford Falls Lumber Company to hold stock and bonds of the Rumford Falls Brick Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Organiza-  
tion of com-  
pany, rati-  
fied.

—may hold  
stock of  
Rumford  
Falls Brick  
Company.

Sect. 1. The Rumford Falls Lumber Company, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the state of Maine, which organization is hereby ratified, confirmed and declared to be legal and valid, is hereby authorized and empowered to acquire, hold and dispose of shares of capital stock and mortgage bonds of the Rumford Falls Brick Company.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 8, 1897.

**Chapter 412.**

An Act to change the name of the Alonzo Wing Library Association.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The action of the Alonzo Wing Library Association, taken November thirty, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, whereby the name of said association was changed to the Wayne Library Association, is hereby ratified, confirmed and made valid.

Name  
changed to  
Wayne  
Library  
Associa-  
tion.

Sect. 2. Nothing herein contained shall affect the rights or liabilities of said association.

Rights and  
liabilities.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 8, 1897.

**Chapter 413.**

An Act relating to Chapter one hundred and thirty-six of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Sabattus Water Company."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The rights, powers and privileges, granted by chapter one hundred and thirty-six of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Sabattus Water Company," are hereby extended for and during the term of two years from March six, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven; and the time within which said corporation may construct and put in operation some portion of its works is hereby extended for the term of two years from March six, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

Charter ex-  
tended two  
years.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 8, 1897.

CHAP. 414**Chapter 414.**

An Act to incorporate the Misery Stream Dam Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Corpora-  
tors.

—corporate  
name.

Authorized  
to erect  
dams and  
piers and  
improve  
Misery  
Stream.

May take  
land and  
material.

—damages,  
how ascer-  
tained in  
case of dis-  
agreement.

Tolls.

Sect. 1. Sumner Hollingsworth, Charles A. Dean, Frank E. Boston and William J. Lanigan, their associates and assigns are hereby incorporated under the name of the Misery Stream Dam Company, with the powers and privileges of similar corporations.

Sect. 2. Said company is hereby authorized to erect and maintain dams, side dams and piers on Misery stream and its tributaries in the townships of Misery, Sandwich Academy grant, and Taunton and Raynham grant, in the county of Somerset, to remove rocks and trees and to excavate ledges therefrom, and to widen, deepen and otherwise improve the same for the purpose of raising a head of water and of making said stream and its tributaries floatable, and of facilitating the driving of logs and lumber upon the same.

Sect. 3. Said company for the above purposes may take all necessary land and materials for building said dams and piers and making improvements, and may flow contiguous lands so far as necessary to raise suitable heads of water; and if the parties cannot agree upon the damages, the corporation shall pay the proprietors for the land and materials so taken, such damages shall be ascertained and determined by the county commissioners of the county of Somerset, in the same manner and under the same conditions and limitations as provided by law in the case of damage by laying out of highways; and for the damage occasioned by flowing land said company shall not be liable to an action at common law, but the person injured may have a remedy by complaint for flowage, in which case the same proceedings shall be had as when a complaint is made under the statutes of this state for flowing lands occasioned by raising a head of water for the working of mills.

Sect. 4. Said company may demand and receive tolls for the passage of all logs and lumber over their dams and improvements as follows: For all logs and lumber landed in said Misery stream above the two upper dams, namely, the Pond dam, so called, near the foot of Misery pond, to the Adams dam, so called, lower down on said stream, a sum not exceeding fifty-five cents per thousand feet; for all logs and lumber landed on

said stream between said Adams dam and the Lower dam, so called, a sum not exceeding fifty cents per thousand feet, and for all logs or lumber landed in said stream between said Lower dam and Brassua lake, a sum not exceeding forty-five cents per thousand feet. All the above tolls to be reckoned at the survey or scale adopted by the Kennebec Log Driving Company. Said Misery Stream Dam Company shall have a lien upon all logs and lumber which may pass over any of its dams and improvements until the full amount of tolls is paid; but the logs of each particular mark shall only be holden to pay the toll on such mark; and if said toll is not paid within thirty days after said logs or lumber, or the major part thereof, shall have arrived within the limits of the Kennebec Log Driving Company, said Misery Stream Dam Company may seize, hold and sell at public auction such part of said logs or lumber as shall be necessary to pay such tolls, with all incidental costs and charges thereon, after ten days' notice in writing of the time and place of said sale given to the owner of such logs or lumber.

—lien on  
lumber for  
tolls.

—how en-  
forced.

Sect. 5. An account of the cost of said improvements shall be kept by the treasurer of said Misery Stream Dam Company, and also of its receipts for tolls, which shall be open to inspection at all reasonable times to any person interested in the same.

Shall keep  
account of  
cost of im-  
prove-  
ments.

Sect. 6. When said corporation shall have received from tolls its outlay on dams, improvements and repairs made up to that time, with six per cent interest thereon, then the tolls shall be reduced to a sum sufficient to keep the works in repair; the treasurer of the Kennebec Log Driving Company, for the time being, is appointed to audit the accounts and determine the cost of said dams, improvements and repairs.

When tolls  
shall cease.

Sect. 7. Any or all owners of lands from which logs or lumber are cut which pass through or over said dams or improvements shall have a right to take an interest in said company.

Land own-  
ers may  
take an in-  
terest in  
company.

Sect. 8. The amount invested shall at all meetings be represented by a fixed, convenient number of votes which shall be cast by the owners of the lands from which logs or lumber are cut which pass through or over its dams or improvements; and each owner shall have the right to vote in proportion to his interest in said lands by paying his proportion of the cost of building and maintaining said dams and improvements, which in the case of the owners of Sandwich Academy grant is fixed at three-tenths.

Eligibility  
of owners,  
to vote.

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How disagreements may be determined.

Sect. 9. In case of any disagreement as to the rights of owners hereunder, the same shall be forthwith determined by referees agreed upon by the parties, or by the county commissioners of Somerset county if the parties cannot agree.

Sect. 10. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 10, 1887.

**Chapter 415.**

An Act to extend the charter of the Eastport Bridge.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Charter extended for six years.

Sect. 1. The charter incorporating certain persons for the purpose of building a bridge uniting the towns of Eastport and Perry, passed June twenty-seventh, eighteen hundred and twenty, being chapter fourteen of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and twenty, and the right to take toll thereunder, which charter was extended for two years, by an act approved March twenty-sixth, eighteen hundred and ninety-five, being chapter two hundred and eighty-three of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, are hereby extended for the term of six years, from September twentieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven; provided, that the rate of tolls to be charged and collected shall not exceed those now charged and collected.

—tolls.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 10, 1887.

**Chapter 416.**

An Act to extend the rights, powers and privileges of the Public Works.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The rights, powers and privileges of the Public Works which were granted by chapter two hundred and twenty-eight of the private and special laws of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-five are hereby extended for two years additional, and all the rights, powers and privileges that were granted by said act may and shall be exercised in the same manner and for the same purposes as provided in said act.

Charter extended.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 10, 1897.

**Chapter 417.**

An Act relating to the Portland Safe Deposit Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section three of chapter seventy of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-five, is hereby amended by striking out the whole of said section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Section 3, chapter 70, private laws, 1875, amended.

'Sect. 3. Said corporation shall be entitled to purchase and hold real and personal property to an amount not exceeding the amount of its duly authorized capital stock; may construct, own, maintain and operate safe deposit vaults with boxes and safes therein for rental to its customers; may collect and disburse the principal, interest and income of any property which it is authorized to receive upon deposit; may buy, sell and deal in stocks and bonds and carry on a general brokerage business; may invest and loan moneys and receive the same upon deposit; may act as agents for the purpose of registering and countersigning certificates of stock, bonds, or other evidences of indebtedness issued by any corporation or municipality; may act as trustee of any real or personal property on trusts duly created, and may execute fully any such trusts; may act as executor, trustee, or assignee, under legal appointment, with

May hold real and personal property.

—powers and privileges.

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Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 10, 1897.

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### Chapter 418.

An Act to authorize the Infusorial Earth Company to lower the waters of Noyes Pond, in the town of Bluehill, during certain months in the year.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Company  
authorized  
to lower  
Noyes pond.

—damages,  
how ascer-  
tained in  
case of dis-  
agreement.

Sect. 1. The Infusorial Earth Company, a corporation existing under the laws of the state of Maine, is hereby authorized and empowered to lower the waters of Noyes pond in Bluehill, Hancock county, Maine, to the extent of three feet, by excavating the outlet of said pond, during the months of June, July, August and September, each year, and said corporation shall, at its own expense, during the remaining eight months of each year, keep the waters of said pond at their natural height by constructing and maintaining a dam at said outlet. Said corporation shall be liable to pay all damages sustained by any person by so lowering said waters, and if any person sustaining damages as aforesaid, and said corporation cannot mutually agree upon the sum to be paid therefor, such person may cause his damages to be ascertained in the same manner and under the same conditions, restrictions and limitations as are by law prescribed in the case of damages occasioned by the laying out of highways.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 10, 1897.



**Chapter 419.**

An Act to incorporate the Penobscot East Branch Log Driving Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Philo A. Strickland, John Morrison, Cornelius Murphy, C. N. White, James F. Campbell, J. Fred Webster, Walter E. Palmer, N. C. McCausland, John Ross, Frederick H. Strickland, E. W. Conant, M. L. Jordan, I. A. Terrill, Ira B. Gardner, John Finch, J. Warren Leslie, George T. Merrill, Charles H. Dudley, Charles C. Perry, and W. S. Kellogg, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby incorporated under the name of the Penobscot East Branch Log Driving Company, for the purpose of clearing out and improving the navigation of the east branch of the Penobscot river to facilitate the driving of logs and other lumber between Grand Lake dam and the west branch of said river at Medway, in the county of Penobscot, and of driving logs and other lumber down said east branch to such place of destination on the Penobscot river as may be designated by the owners thereof. And said corporation shall have the power to purchase, or otherwise obtain, such real estate and to purchase and hold such personal property as may be necessary to carry into effect the purposes of the corporation, to have and use a common seal, to grant and vote money, to make and adopt all necessary regulations and by-laws for the management of the concerns of said corporation not repugnant to the laws of the state, and to have and enjoy all the powers, rights and privileges of similar corporations.

Sect. 2. Said corporation shall drive all logs and other lumber belonging to said corporation, or any of the members thereof, that may be in the east branch of the Penobscot river for that purpose, between Grand Lake dam and the west branch at said Medway, to such place of destination on the Penobscot river as may be designated by the owners of such logs and other lumber, or by the directors of said corporation, such place not to be below the Penobscot boom where logs are usually sorted. Provided, however, said corporation shall be under no obligation to drive logs or other lumber coming into said east branch, unless seasonably delivered for that purpose below said Grand Lake dam. Any owners of logs landed below Grand Lake dam, may drive their own logs landed below said dam. And said corporation for the purposes aforesaid,

Corporators.

—corporate name.

—purposes.

—may take real estate.

—seal.

Shall drive logs of other corporations.

—proviso.

—may improve navigation of river.

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may clear out and improve the navigation of the river between the points aforesaid, remove obstructions, break jams, build dams and side dams, erect piers and booms, and make all other necessary improvements.

Who may  
be members  
of company.

Sect. 3. Any person, persons or corporations, or their agents, owning logs or other lumber to be driven on said east branch of the Penobscot river, shall be members of the Penobscot East Branch Log Driving Company, and shall so continue for one year at least, and shall have all the privileges and be subject to all the liabilities pertaining thereto.

Officers.

Sect. 4. The officers of said corporation shall be a clerk, treasurer, and a board of five directors, three of whom shall be a quorum to transact business, all of whom shall be chosen by ballot, and a master driver or drivers, and such other officers as may be deemed necessary, who may be appointed by the directors unless they shall be chosen at the annual meeting, all of whom shall hold their respective offices until the next annual meeting, or until others are chosen or appointed in their stead. The clerk, treasurer and directors shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties. The treasurer shall give a bond to the acceptance of the directors. The directors shall at their first meeting elect one of their number who shall be the president of the corporation, and no person shall be eligible to any office unless he be a member of the corporation.

—shall be  
sworn.

—treasurer  
shall give  
bond.

Owners  
shall file  
statement  
of logs.

Sect. 5. The members of said corporation owning logs and other lumber to be driven down said east branch between said Grand Lake dam and said west branch, shall on or before the fifteenth day of May in that year file with the clerk a statement in writing, signed by such member or members, his or their authorized agent, of all such logs or other lumber the number of feet, board measure, of all such logs or other lumber, and the marks thereon, together with the place from which the logs are to be driven and their destination, and the directors, or one of them, shall require such owner or owners or agent presenting such statement to make oath that the same is in their judgment and belief true, which oath any one of the directors is hereby authorized and empowered to administer. And after the directors shall have ascertained the amount necessary to defray the cost of driving such logs and other lumber, and to pay other necessary expenses for the season, they shall have the right to assess the same as hereinafter provided, to the owners, if known, or to owner unknown, making such discount for logs

—cost of  
driving,  
how  
assessed.

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driven less than the whole distance as in their opinion may be right and equitable. And if any such owner or agent shall neglect or refuse to file a statement in the manner herein prescribed, the directors may assess such delinquent or delinquents for his or their proportion of such expenses, such sum or sums as may be by the directors considered just and equitable, and the directors shall give public notice of the time and place of making such assessments, by publishing the same in some newspaper printed in Bangor two weeks in succession, the last publication to be before making such assessments, and any assessment or assessments, when the owner or owners of any mark of logs or other lumber is unknown to the directors, may be set to the mark upon such logs or other lumber. And the clerk shall keep a record of all assessments and of all expenses upon which such assessments are based, which shall be open to the inspection of all persons interested.

—delinquents, how assessed.

—clerk shall keep record of all assessments.

Sect. 6. Said directors are hereby authorized to make the assessment contemplated in the last preceding section, in anticipation of the actual cost and expenses of driving, and in any sum not exceeding for each thousand feet, board measure, the sum of one dollar, and so in proportion to the distance which any logs or other lumber is to be or may be driven between said Grand Lake dam and the places of destination to be determined by said directors. And if after said logs or other lumber shall have been driven as aforesaid, and all expenses actually ascertained, it shall be found that said assessment shall be more than sufficient to pay said expenses, then the balance so remaining shall be refunded to the said owner or owners, in proportion to said sum to them respectively assessed.

Assessments shall, in anticipation, include costs.

—overplus shall be refunded.

Sect. 7. The directors shall give the treasurer a list of all assessments by them made, with a warrant in due form under their hands; and said corporation shall have a lien on all logs and other lumber by them driven, for the expenses of driving the same, which may be discharged by sufficient bond being given to the corporation conditional that all such expenses shall be seasonably paid. And all owners of logs and other lumber shall be required to pay or satisfactorily secure the amount of their several assessments within thirty days from the date of such assessment. And the treasurer shall have power to take possession of a sufficient quantity of any and all marks of logs and other lumber upon which the assessment has not been paid or secured at the end of thirty days from such assessment, and

Lien on logs.

—how enforced.

CHAP. 419 shall retain possession of the same until disposed of as herein-after provided; and all marks upon which such assessment shall not be thus paid or secured within the time herein specified, shall be advertised two weeks in succession, in some newspaper printed in said Bangor; and if not paid within ten days after the last publication, with necessary costs and expenses, the treasurer shall then advertise them for sale at public auction, by posting up in some conspicuous place in Bangor, Old Town, and the place of destination of such logs and other lumber, notices of such sale, with a list of all the marks, and the amount of assessment upon each mark, ten days before the day of sale; and unless such assessments with expenses incurred are previously paid, he shall then proceed to sell to the highest bidder, sufficient quantity of the logs or other lumber of the different marks upon the list to pay such assessments, with all proper costs and expenses, selling each mark separately. The place of sale to be at the office of the corporation, and the proceeds of all sales to be paid into the treasury of the corporation. And the lien hereby created shall have precedence of all other liens; provided, however, if before the sale it should be ascertained that the logs or other lumber of any particular mark or marks had not arrived at their places of destination, but remained back, that in such case said sale may be adjourned from time to time until such logs or other lumber shall arrive at said place of destination.

Certain  
rights re-  
pealed.

Sect. 8. All that part of chapter four hundred and eighty-two of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, approved March first, eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, granting certain rights to the Penobscot River Dam and Improvement Company between the junction of the east and west branches of the Penobscot river at Medway and Grand Lake dam, so called, on said east branch, is hereby repealed.

First meet-  
ing, how  
called.

Sect. 9. The first meeting of said corporation may be called by any two of the above named corporators, giving actual notice in writing to their several associates at least seven days before the time named for such meeting.

Sect. 10. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 10, 1897.

**Chapter 420.**

An Act to authorize the erection of Piers and Booms in the Mattawamkeag River at the Oxbow.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Wilbur Grant of Kingman, in the county of Penobscot, his successors and assigns, are hereby authorized and empowered to locate, erect and maintain in the Mattawamkeag river at and below the head of Oxbow island, so called, lying between Wytopitlock and the village of Kingman, piers and booms for the purpose of collecting, holding, separating and sorting out logs and other lumber coming down said Mattawamkeag river. Said piers and booms shall be located as follows; a sorting boom at the head of Oxbow island, so called, and a holding boom extending from said sorting boom to the natural outlet of Mud pond, so called, below said Oxbow; and said piers and booms shall be so located, constructed, maintained and used that logs and lumber running down said river belonging to other parties, and not destined for use and manufacture at the mills of said Grant, his successors and assigns, shall not be unreasonably impeded or delayed, and in no case shall logs and other lumber be delayed longer than twenty-four hours; provided, however, that logs and other lumber running down said river in what is known as the first Mattawamkeag drive, may be longer delayed and detained, if necessary, for the purposes of sorting out and turning by logs and other lumber not destined for use and manufacture at the mills of said Grant, his successors and assigns; and any stray logs and other lumber not destined for use and manufacture at the mills of said Grant, if found in the booms herein authorized to be constructed and maintained, shall be turned out thereof by said Grant, his successors or assigns, upon demand of the owner or owners thereof in writing, at the expense of said Grant, his successors and assigns.

Sect. 2. Said Grant, his successors and assigns, by aid of such piers and booms, are hereby authorized and empowered to separate and sort out from the logs and other lumber coming down said river, all logs and other lumber destined and intended for use and manufacture at the mills of said Grant; provided, however, if upon the approach of the rear of any drive of logs to said booms herein authorized to be constructed and maintained, it shall appear to the person in charge of such

Wilbur Grant authorized to build piers and booms.

—location.

—logs and lumber shall not be unreasonably detained.

Authorized to sort all logs intended for Grant's mill.

—owners shall have right to expedite the sorting of logs.

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—expenses,  
how paid.

Agent may  
be ap-  
pointed to  
take ac-  
count of  
logs in  
boom,  
and make  
returns.

May take  
lands.

—compen-  
sation, how  
made.

All rights  
retained.

drive that said Grant has not sufficient men to sort and turn by the logs arriving at said booms, so that such drive may be unreasonably impeded or delayed, such person, upon notice to said Grant in writing, shall have the right to put men of his own selection upon said booms to expedite the sorting and turning by of logs in such drive, who shall be paid by said Grant, and the additional cost, if any, of making such drive through said booms in consequence of said erections, shall be paid by said Grant, his successors or assigns, but nothing herein contained shall make said Grant liable for delay caused by said piers and booms. Said Grant, his successors and assigns, are also hereby authorized and empowered to hold within the piers and booms mentioned in this act, and located, erected and maintained as aforesaid, all logs and other lumber running down said Mattawamkeag river which are destined and intended for use and manufacture at the mills of said Grant.

Sect. 3. The Mattawamkeag Log Driving Company, a corporation existing under the laws of Maine, shall have the right at any time to appoint an agent who is hereby authorized and empowered to take an account of all logs and other lumber running into said booms, designating the number of pieces and the marks thereon, and said agent shall make return to the clerk of said Mattawamkeag Log Driving Company of all logs and other lumber running into said booms, which return shall be placed upon file in the office of said company and shall at all times be open to the inspection of all persons interested in timber lands upon or in the driving of logs down said Mattawamkeag river or any of its tributaries.

Sect. 4. Said Grant, his successors and assigns, may enter upon, take and hold such lands as may be necessary for the location, erection and maintenance of the piers and booms mentioned in this act and connecting the same with the shores, and may with his agents and teams pass and repass over said shores and to and from the same over the lands of others for the purposes aforesaid and for the operation and management of said piers and booms, making compensation therefor as provided in case of damage for lands taken in laying out highways.

Sect. 5. Nothing in this act shall interfere with or take from the Mattawamkeag Log Driving Company, any rights heretofore granted said company.

Sect. 6. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 10, 1897.

**Chapter 421.**

An Act to authorize the Madison Water Company to sell and convey its property and franchises to the Madison Village Corporation.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The Madison Water Company is hereby authorized to sell, transfer and convey its franchises and property to the Madison Village Corporation.

Company  
authorized  
to sell  
franchises  
and prop-  
erty.

Sect. 2. The Madison Village Corporation, in case it shall so purchase the franchises and property of said Madison Water Company, shall succeed to all the rights and privileges of said company, and be subject to all its duties.

Corpora-  
tion shall  
succeed to  
rights of  
company.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 10, 1897.

**Chapter 422.**

An Act to extend the Charter of the Maine Water and Electric Power Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The time within which the Maine Water and Electric Power Company shall actually commence business under its charter is hereby extended to two years from the approval hereof.

Charter ex-  
tended for  
two years.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 10, 1897.

**Chapter 423.**

An Act to incorporate the Hallowell Water Commissioners.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Hallowell  
Water Com-  
missioners.

—seal.

—officers.

Duties shall  
be pre-  
scribed by  
city council.

Authorized  
to issue  
bonds.

—proceeds  
shall be ex-  
pended for  
extension of  
water  
works.

City au-  
thorized to  
convey wa-  
ter works  
in trust to

Sect. 1. The mayor and aldermen of the city of Hallowell, in office when this act shall take effect, and their successors, to be thereafter elected in accordance with such ordinances as may be ordained therefor, are hereby created a body corporate and politic, by the name of the Hallowell Water Commissioners, and as such shall have a common seal, and power to sue and be sued. The Hallowell Water Commissioners shall elect a president from among their own number, and shall elect a clerk, and choose such other officers as the city council of the city of Hallowell may hereafter designate by ordinance. The city treasurer of the city of Hallowell, for the time being, shall be treasurer, ex-officio, of the Hallowell Water Commissioners, and shall keep the accounts of the money received and disbursed by him as treasurer of the city, separate and distinct from those of the money received and disbursed by him as treasurer of said Hallowell Water Commissioners.

Sect. 2. The powers and duties of said Hallowell Water Commissioners, as to in matters of detail, shall be prescribed by such ordinances as the city council of Hallowell may, from time to time, ordain.

Sect. 3. The Hallowell Water Commissioners are hereby authorized to issue the bonds of the corporation, to be known as the Hallowell Water Commissioners' bonds, at such rates and on such times as may be approved by the city council and for such amount as the city council may approve, not exceeding seventy-five thousand dollars; and the proceeds of the sale of said bonds shall be used exclusively for the purpose of paying such floating indebtedness as may be incurred by the city of Hallowell in the purchase and extension of a system of water works, under chapter two hundred and eighty of the private and special laws for eighteen hundred and ninety-five, and for such future extensions and improvements as may be approved by the city council.

Sect. 4. The city of Hallowell is hereby authorized, when its city council so votes, to convey to the Hallowell Water Commissioners, the corporation hereby created, in trust, such



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commis-  
sioners.

system of water works as may be purchased by said city of the Hallowell Water Company, under the provisions of said chapter two hundred and eighty of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, together with all additions, extensions and improvements then made to said system of water works, for the sole purpose of securing the payment of the bonds issued under the provisions of section three of this act, and for no other purpose. Said Hallowell Water Commissioners may hold said property in trust for said purpose. And said system of water works shall be holden for the payment of said bonds and their coupons, and said bonds and their coupons shall constitute a first lien thereon; and said lien shall not be impaired by said city or by said Hallowell Water Commissioners until all said bonds and coupons issued hereunder shall have been paid and said trust discharged.

—bonds  
shall con-  
stitute lien.

Sect. 5. In case of default in the payment of any of said bonds, or the coupons attached thereto, when due, any holder thereof may petition the supreme judicial court for the county of Kennebec, by bill in equity, for the benefit of himself, as well as for the benefit of all other holders of said bonds, and said court may enforce said lien, by appointment of receiver and by sale of said property, according to the usual practice in equity proceedings.

Proceed-  
ings, in case  
of default in  
payment of  
bonds.

Sect. 6. The rates for the supply of water, charged and collected by said Hallowell Water Commissioners, shall be fixed so that all expenses for repairs and management shall be paid annually, together with interest on the cost of the purchase and building of said system of water works by the said city, and on the cost of all extensions thereto, and in addition thereto, not less than one per cent of said principal expenditures. But the amount assessed upon the city for fire or hydrant service shall not exceed in gross or per hydrant a reasonable rate.

Rates, how  
fixed.

Sect. 7. Said Hallowell Water Commissioners shall create a sinking fund for the bonds by them issued, and shall invest the one per cent of the principal expenditures mentioned in section six of this act, in such securities as savings banks in this state are by law authorized to invest in. Any surplus of the receipts of said Hallowell Water Commissioners remaining at the end of the municipal year after paying for all repairs, operating expenses, extensions and interest charges as aforesaid, and said one per cent for the sinking fund, said Hallowell Water Commissioners shall likewise invest as aforesaid, and place in said

Shall  
create a  
sinking  
fund.

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—purposes.

Savings  
banks may  
invest in  
bonds.City may  
assume in-  
debtedness  
and issue  
bonds.Commis-  
sioners shall  
not sell or  
mortgage  
property.All duties  
and powers  
not con-  
ferred on  
commis-  
sioners,  
shall vest  
in city.—liability  
of city for  
damages.Act shall  
take effect,  
when ac-  
cepted by a  
two-thirds  
vote.—how meet-  
ings shall  
be held and  
conducted.

sinking fund. And said Hallowell Water Commissioners may, when necessary, reinvest any of said securities. Said sinking fund and its accumulations shall be held solely for the purpose of redeeming and paying the principal of said bonds. Said city treasurer shall be the custodian of the sinking fund.

Sect. 8. Bonds issued under the provisions of this act may be purchased and held by savings banks in this state.

Sect. 9. The city of Hallowell may assume the indebtedness represented by said bonds whenever it can constitutionally do so, by exchanging its own bonds for the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, and said bonds shall so provide. Bonds so providing shall be deemed negotiable. Whenever all of the indebtedness is thus assumed by the exchange of bonds, or whenever said bonds and their coupons are all paid, said trust shall thereupon be discharged, on petition of said city of Hallowell, or said Hallowell Water Commissioners, to the supreme judicial court for the county of Kennebec, sitting in equity, and said property shall be reconveyed to said city of Hallowell, discharged of said trust.

Sect. 10. Said Hallowell Water Commissioners shall not sell, mortgage, or in any way dispose of said property, but shall hold the same solely for the purposes of the trust provided for by this act.

Sect. 11. All duties and powers necessary to be exercised with respect to said system of water works, not hereby conferred upon said Hallowell Water Commissioners, or by any ordinances to be hereafter ordained by said city, shall be vested in the city of Hallowell. The city of Hallowell, and not said Hallowell Water Commissioners, shall be liable for all damages occasioned under the provisions of sections one, two, three, four, five and six of said chapter two hundred eighty of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, and for such other defaults as said city would have been liable for, had not the trust herein provided for been created.

Sect. 12. This act shall take effect whenever approved by a two-thirds vote of the votes cast by the legal voters of the city of Hallowell at a meeting of the citizens thereof qualified to vote in city affairs, requested, warned and held as provided by the charter of said city. A moderator shall be chosen. The city clerk shall be clerk of such meeting and shall record the proceedings thereof. At such meetings the polls shall be opened at ten o'clock in the forenoon and closed at four o'clock

in the afternoon. The vote shall be by written ballot and the ballots shall be counted and declared in open meeting. The board of registration of said city shall be in session during such meeting and shall determine the qualification of any one claiming the right to vote, if in dispute. The preceding sections of this act, however, shall not take effect unless the city of Hallowell fully complies with all the provisions and conditions contained in sections eleven and twelve of chapter two hundred and eighty of the private and special laws of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-five.

Sect. 13. For the purposes of section twelve, this act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 10, 1897.

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—qualifications of voters.

Act shall not take effect, unless city complies with conditions.

For purpose of submission, act shall take effect, when approved.

### Chapter 424.

An Act to provide for the retirement of Police Officers of the City of Portland upon half pay.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

The city council of the city of Portland are hereby authorized to provide by ordinance, for the retirement of police officers who may have been honorably discharged from the police force of the city of Portland by reason of having arrived at the age of sixty-five years, or by reason of permanent injuries or permanent physical incapacity, which is the result of an incident of service upon said police force, upon a pension not exceeding half pay.

Retirement and pensioning of police officers of Portland.

Approved March 10, 1897.

### Chapter 425.

An Act to incorporate the Mechanic Falls Trust and Banking Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. B. M. Fernald, George O. Goodwin, O. B. Dwinal, J. W. Penney, C. R. Pulsifer, E. A. Gammon, F. O. Purington, L. H. Moulton, S. S. Waterhouse, W. W. Denning, S. E. King, Gideon Bearce, F. R. Glover, I. W. Shaw, Horace Purinton, C. W. Purinton, or such of them as may by vote accept this charter, with their associates, successors and assigns are

Corporators.

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name.

hereby made a body corporate and politic, to be known as the Mechanic Falls Trust and Banking Company, and as such shall be possessed of all the powers, privileges and immunities and subject to all the duties and obligations conferred on corporations by law.

**Location.**

Sect. 2. The corporation hereby created shall be located at Mechanic Falls, Androscoggin county, Maine.

**Purposes.**

Sect. 3. The purposes of said corporation and the business which it may perform, are: first, to receive on deposit, money, coin, bank notes, evidences of debt, accounts of individuals, companies, corporations, municipalities and states, allowing interest thereon, if agreed, or as the by-laws of said corporation may provide; second, to borrow money, to loan money on credits or real estate or personal security, and to negotiate loans and sales for others; third, to own and maintain safe deposit vaults, with boxes, safes and other facilities therein to be rented to other parties for the safe keeping of moneys, securities, stocks, jewelry, plate, valuable papers and documents, and other property susceptible of being deposited therein, and may receive on deposit for safe keeping, property of any kind entrusted to it for that purpose; fourth, to act as agent for issuing, registering and countersigning certificates, bonds, stocks, and all evidences of debt or ownership in property; fifth, to hold by grant, assignment, transfer, devise or bequest, any real or personal property or trusts duly created, and to execute trusts of every description; sixth, to act as assignee, receiver, executor, and no surety shall be necessary upon the bond of the corporation, unless the court or officer approving such bond shall require it; seventh, to do in general all the business that may lawfully be done by a trust and banking company, but said corporation shall not have the power or authority to establish branches.

**Capital  
stock.**—shall not  
commence  
business un-  
til \$50,000  
has been  
paid in.

Sect. 4. The capital stock of said corporation shall not be less than fifty thousand dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, with the right to increase the said capital stock at any time by a vote of the shareholders to any amount not exceeding five hundred thousand dollars. Said corporation shall not commence business as a trust or banking company, until stock to the amount of at least fifty thousand dollars shall have been subscribed and paid in, in cash.

Shall not  
loan money  
its own  
capital  
stock.

Sect. 5. Said corporation shall not make any loan or discount on the security of the shares of its own capital stock, nor be the purchaser or holder of any such shares unless necessary

to prevent loss upon a debt previously contracted in good faith; and all stock so acquired shall within six months from the time of its acquisition be disposed of at public or private sale.

Sect. 6. All the corporate powers of this corporation shall be exercised by a board of trustees, who shall be residents of this state, whose number and term of office shall be determined by a vote of the shareholders at the first meeting held by the incorporators and at each annual meeting thereafter. The affairs and powers of the corporation may, at the option of the shareholders, be entrusted to an executive board of five members, to be, by vote of the shareholders, elected from the full board of trustees. The trustees of said corporation shall be sworn to the proper discharge of their duties, and they shall hold office until others are elected and qualified in their stead. If a trustee or director dies, resigns, or becomes disqualified for any cause, the remaining trustees or directors may appoint a person to fill the vacancy until the next annual meeting of the corporation. The oath of office of such trustee or director shall be taken within thirty days of his election, or his office shall become vacant. The clerk of such corporation shall, within ten days, notify such trustees or directors of their election, and within thirty days shall publish the list of all persons who have taken the oath of office as trustees or directors.

Board of trustees.

—executive board.

—trustees shall be sworn.

—vacancies, how filled.

—trustees shall be notified of election.

Sect. 7. The board of trustees or directors of said corporation shall constitute the board of investment of said corporation. Said trustees or directors shall keep in a separate book, specially provided for the purpose, a record of all loans, and investments of every description, made by said institution substantially in the order of time when such loans or investments are made, which shall show that such loans or investments have been made with the approval of the investment committee of said corporation, which shall indicate such particulars respecting such loans or investments as the bank examiner shall direct. This book shall be submitted to the trustees or directors and to the bank examiner whenever requested. Such loans or investments shall be classified in the book as the bank examiner shall direct. No loan shall be made to any officer or director of said banking or trust company except by the unanimous approval of the executive board in writing, and said corporation shall have no authority to hire money or to give notes unless by vote of the said board duly recorded.

Board of investment.

—shall keep record of all loans.

—loans shall be made only by approval of executive board.

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Eligibility  
of directors.

Sect. 8. No person shall be eligible to the position of a director or trustee of said corporation who is not the actual owner of ten shares of the stock.

Reserve  
fund.

Sect. 9. Said corporation, after beginning to receive deposits, shall, at all times, have on hand in lawful money, as a reserve, not less than fifteen per cent of the aggregate amount of its deposits which are subject to withdrawal on demand, provided, that in lieu of lawful money, two-thirds of said fifteen per cent may consist of balances payable on demand, due from any national or state bank.

Money held  
in trust,  
shall con-  
stitute spec-  
ial deposit.

Sect. 10. All the property or money held in trust by this corporation shall constitute a special deposit and the accounts thereof and of said trust department shall be kept separate, and such funds and the investment or loans of them shall be specially appropriated to the security and payment of such deposits, and not be subject to any other liabilities of the corporation; and for the purpose of securing the observance of this proviso, said corporation shall have a trust department in which all business pertaining to such trust property shall be kept separate and distinct from its general business.

—trust de-  
partment.

Adminis-  
trators, etc.,  
may deposit  
with.

Sect. 11. An administrator, executor, assignee, guardian, or trustee, any court of law or equity, including courts of probate and insolvency, officers and treasurers of towns, cities, counties, and savings banks of the state of Maine may deposit any moneys, bonds, stocks, evidences of debt or of ownership in property, or any personal property, with said corporation, and any of said courts may direct any person deriving authority from them to so deposit the same.

Responsi-  
bility of  
share-  
holders.

Sect. 12. Each shareholder of this corporation shall be individually responsible for all contracts, debts and engagements of said corporation to a sum equal to the amount of the par value of the shares owned by him, in addition to the amount invested in said shares.

Guaranty  
fund.

Sect. 13. Such corporation shall set apart as a guaranty fund not less than ten per cent of its net earnings in each and every year until such fund with the accumulated interest thereon, shall amount to one-fourth of the capital stock of said corporation.

Taxation of  
shares.

Sect. 14. The shares of said corporation shall be subject to taxation in the same manner and rate as are the shares of national banks.

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Sect. 15. Said corporation shall be subject to examination by the bank examiner, who shall visit it at least once in every year, and as much oftener as he may deem expedient. At such visits he shall have free access to its vaults, books and papers, and shall thoroughly inspect and examine all the affairs of said corporation, and make such inquiries as may be necessary to ascertain its condition and ability to fulfill all its engagements. If upon examination of said corporation the examiner is of the opinion that its investments are not in accordance with law, or said corporation is insolvent, or its condition is such as to render its further proceedings hazardous to the public or to those having funds in its custody, or is of the opinion that it has exceeded its powers or failed to comply with any of the rules or restrictions provided by law, he shall have such authority and take such action as is provided for in the case of savings banks by chapter forty-seven of the revised statutes. He shall preserve in a permanent form a full record of his proceedings, including a statement of the condition of said corporation. A copy of such statement shall be published by said corporation immediately after the annual examination of the same in some newspaper published where said corporation is established. If no paper is published in the town where said corporation is established, then it shall be published in a newspaper printed in the nearest city or town. The necessary expenses of the bank examiner while engaged in making such examination shall be paid by said corporation.

Shall be subject to examination by bank examiner.

—proceedings, when business is hazardous to the public.

—shall keep record of condition.

Sect. 16. Any five of the corporators named in this act may call the first meeting of this corporation by mailing a written notice, signed by all, postage paid, to each of the other corporators, seven days at least before the day of the meeting, naming the time, place and purpose of such meeting, and at such meeting the necessary officers may be chosen, by-laws adopted and any other corporate business transacted.

First meeting, how called.

Sect. 17. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 10, 1897.

**Chapter 426.**

An Act to incorporate the Rangeley Water Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

- Corpora-**  
**tors.**
- Sect. 1. Samuel Hano, Henry B. Goodnough, H. A. Furbush, W. L. Butler, E. I. Herrick and F. E. Timberlake, with their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation under the name of the Rangeley Water Company, for the purpose of supplying to inhabitants of the town of Rangeley in the county of Franklin, with suitable water for industrial, manufacturing, domestic, sanitary and municipal purposes, including the extinguishment of fire; with all the rights and privileges, and subject to all the liabilities and obligations of similar corporations under the laws of this state.
- corporate**  
**name.**
- purposes.**
- May take**  
**water from**  
**Rangeley**  
**lake, etc.,**  
**and erect**  
**dams and**  
**reservoirs.**
- Sect. 2. For any of the purposes aforesaid the said corporation is hereby authorized to take and use water from Rangeley lake, or from any spring, springs, pond, brook or other waters in the town of Rangeley or the plantation of Dallas, to conduct and distribute the same into and through the said town of Rangeley or the plantation of Dallas; and to survey for, locate and construct and maintain suitable and convenient dams, reservoirs, buildings, machinery, lines of pipe, aqueducts, structures and appurtenances.
- May lay**  
**pipes.**
- cross any**  
**water**  
**course or**  
**sewer.**
- Sect. 3. The said corporation is hereby authorized to lay, construct and maintain its lines of pipe at such places as may be necessary for the said purposes of said corporation; and to cross any water course, private or public sewer, or to change the direction thereof, where necessary for their said purposes of incorporation, but in such manner as not to obstruct or impair the use thereof, and the said corporation shall be liable for any injury or damage caused thereby.
- May lay**  
**pipes along**  
**any high-**  
**way, etc.**
- responsi-**  
**ble for**  
**damages.**
- Sect. 4. The said corporation is hereby authorized to lay, construct and maintain in, under, through, along, over and across the highways, ways, streets, railroads and bridges in the said town of Rangeley, and plantation of Dallas, and to take up, replace and repair, all such aqueducts, pipes, hydrants and other structures and fixtures as may be necessary and convenient for the said purposes of said corporation; and the said corporation shall be responsible for all damages to the said towns and to all corporations, persons and property, occasioned by such use of the said highways, ways and streets. Whenever the said cor-



poration shall lay down or construct any fixtures in any highway, way or street, it shall cause the same to be done with as little obstruction to public travel as may be practicable, and shall at its own expense, without unnecessary delay, cause the earth and pavement then removed by it, to be replaced in proper condition.

—shall not obstruct public travel.

Sect. 5. The said corporation is hereby authorized to take and hold, by purchase or otherwise, any lands necessary for flowage, and also for its dams, reservoirs, gates, hydrants, buildings and other necessary structures, and may locate, erect, lay and maintain aqueducts, lines of pipe, hydrants and other necessary structures or fixtures, in, over and through any land for the said purposes, and excavate in and through such land for such location, construction and erection. And in general to do any acts necessary, convenient or proper, for carrying out any of the said purposes of incorporation. It may enter upon such lands to make surveys and locations, and shall file in the registry of deeds for the county of Franklin, plans of such locations and lands, showing the property taken, and within thirty days thereafter publish notice of such filing in some newspaper in said county, such publication to be continued three weeks successively. Not more than two rods in width of land shall be occupied by any one line of pipe or aqueduct.

May take lands for flowage, dams, etc.

—shall file plan of location in registry of deeds of Franklin county.

Sect. 6. Should the said corporation and the owner of any land required for the said purposes of incorporation, be unable to agree upon the damages to be paid for such location, taking, holding and construction, the land owner may, within twelve months after the said filing of plans of location, apply to the commissioners of said county of Franklin, and cause such damages to be assessed in the same manner and under the same conditions, as are prescribed by law in the case of damages by the laying out of railroads. If the said corporation shall fail to pay such land owner, or deposit for his use with the clerk of the county commissioners aforesaid, such sums as may be finally awarded as damages, with costs when recovered by him, within ninety days after notice of final judgment shall have been received by the clerk of courts of the said county, the said location shall be thereby invalid and the said corporation shall forfeit all rights under the same, as against the owner of the land. The said corporation may make a tender to any land owner damaged under the provisions of this act, and if such land owner recovers more damages than was tendered him by the said cor-

Damages, how assessed in case of disagreement.

—proceedings if company fails to pay damages.

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—failure to  
apply for  
damages,  
shall be  
held as a  
waiver.

May con-  
tract to  
supply wa-  
ter.

—towns  
may con-  
tract for  
water and  
exempt  
from taxa-  
tion.

Capital  
stock.

May hold  
real estate.

May issue  
bonds and  
mortgage  
property.

First meet-  
ing, how  
called.

poration, he shall recover cost, otherwise the said corporation shall recover cost. In case the said corporation shall begin to occupy such land before the rendition of final judgment, the land owner may require the said corporation to file its bond to him with the said county commissioners, in such sum and with such sureties as they may approve, conditioned for the payment of the damages that may be awarded. No action shall be brought against the said corporation for such taking, holding and occupation, until after such failure to pay or deposit as aforesaid. Failure to apply for damages within the said twelve months, shall be held to a waiver of the same.

Sect. 7. The said corporation is hereby authorized to make contracts with the United States, the state of Maine, the county of Franklin, the town of Rangeley and Rangeley Village Corporation in the said town of Rangeley, and with the inhabitants thereof or any corporations doing business therein, for the supply of water and power for the purposes contemplated in this act; and the said towns and corporation by their proper officers, are hereby authorized to enter into contract with the said corporation for a supply of water for any and all purposes mentioned in this act, and for such exemption from public burdens as the said town and the said corporation may agree upon, which when made, shall be legal and binding upon all parties thereto.

Sect. 8. The capital stock of the said corporation shall be twenty thousand dollars, which may be increased to any sum not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, by a majority vote of the stockholders of the said corporation; and the stock shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each.

Sect. 9. The said corporation for all its purposes, may hold real and personal estate necessary and convenient therefor, to the amount of fifty thousand dollars.

Sect. 10. The said corporation may issue its bonds for the construction of its works, of any and all kinds, upon such rates and time as it may deem expedient not to exceed the amount of the capital stock subscribed for, and secure the same by mortgage of its franchise and property.

Sect. 11. The first meeting of said corporation shall be called by a written notice thereof, signed by any two of the named incorporators, served upon each named incorporator by giving him the same in hand, or by leaving the same at his last and usual place of abode, at least seven days before the time of meet-

ing, or by publishing said notice in some newspaper published in Phillips. CHAP. 427

Sect. 12. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 10, 1887.

## Chapter 427.

An Act to incorporate the Deer Isle Water Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Charles W. Bryant, Jasper W. Haskell, Frank B. Ferguson, Augustus O. Gross and Elmer P. Spofford, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby created into a body corporate, by the name of the Deer Isle Water Company, for the purpose of supplying the town of Deer Isle, in the county of Hancock, and the inhabitants of said town with water for industrial, manufacturing, domestic, sanitary, and municipal purposes, including the extinguishing of fires and sprinkling of streets.

Corpora-  
tors.

—corporate  
name.

—purposes.

Sect. 2. Said corporation for said purposes, may flow, detain, take, collect, store, use and distribute water from any pond or stream flowing from any pond, in said Deer Isle, and may locate, construct and maintain dams, cribs, reservoirs, locks, gates, sluices, aqueducts, pipes, hydrants, and all other necessary structures therefor.

May take  
water from  
any pond in  
Deer Isle.

Sect. 3. Said company is hereby authorized to lay, construct and maintain under, through, along and across the highways, ways, streets, railroads, bridges in said town, and to take up, replace and repair all such sluices, aqueducts, pipes, hydrants and structures as may be necessary for the purposes of their incorporation, under such reasonable restrictions and conditions as the selectmen of said town may impose. And said company shall be responsible for all damages to all corporations, persons and property, occasioned by the use of such highways, ways and streets, and shall further be liable to pay to said town all sums recovered against said town for damages from obstruction caused by said company, and for all expenses, including reasonable counsel fees, incurred in defending such suits, with interest on the same.

May lay  
pipes, etc.,  
along high-  
ways, etc.,

—shall be  
responsible  
for dam-  
ages to  
highways.

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May cross  
any water  
course, pri-  
vate or pub-  
lic sewer.

—shall not  
obstruct  
public  
travel.

May take  
lands for  
flowage,  
dams, etc.

Damages,  
how as-  
sessed in  
case of dis-  
agreement.

May con-  
tract to  
supply  
water.

—town  
may con-  
tract for  
water and  
exempt  
from taxa-  
tion.

May lay  
pipes over  
tide waters.

Sect. 4. Said company shall have power to cross any water course, private or public sewer, or to change the direction thereof when necessary, for the purposes of their incorporation, but in such manner as not to obstruct or impair the use thereof and said company shall be liable for any injury caused thereby. Whenever said company shall lay down any fixtures in any highway, way or street, or make any alterations or repairs upon its works in any highway, way or street, it shall cause the same to be done with as little obstruction to public travel as may be practicable, and shall at its own expense, without unnecessary delay, cause any earth or pavements then removed by it, to be placed in proper condition.

Sect. 5. Said company can take and hold any lands necessary for flowage, and also for its dams, reservoirs, locks, gates, hydrants, and other necessary structures, and may locate, lay and maintain sluices, aqueducts, pipes, hydrants, and other necessary structures and fixtures in, over and through any land for its said purposes, and excavate in and through such lands for such location, construction and maintenance.

Sect. 6. Should the company and the owner of such land be unable to agree upon the damages to be paid for such location, taking, holding and construction, the land owner may within twelve months after such taking apply to the commissioners of said county of Hancock, and cause such damages to be assessed in the same manner and under the same conditions, restrictions, and limitations as are by law prescribed in the case of damages resulting from the laying out of highways, so far as such law is consistent with this act. Said company may make a tender to any land owner damaged under the provisions of this act, and if such owner recovers more damages than were tendered to him by said company, he shall recover costs, otherwise said company shall recover costs.

Sect. 7. Said company is hereby authorized to make contracts with the United States and with corporations and the said town of Deer Isle, for the purpose of supplying water as contemplated by this act. And said town of Deer Isle is hereby authorized by its selectmen to enter into any contract with said company for a supply of water for any and all purposes mentioned in this act, including the remission of taxes upon real estate, fixtures, franchise, and plant of said corporation.

Sect. 8. If said company find it necessary to lay its pipes over tide waters, it may build and maintain all necessary piers

and other structures causing as little obstruction to navigation as possible. CHAP. 428

Sect. 9. The capital stock of said company shall not exceed one hundred thousand dollars, and said stock shall be divided into shares of fifty dollars each. Capital stock.

Sect. 10. Said company for all of its said purposes may hold real and personal estate necessary and convenient therefor, not exceeding in amount one hundred thousand dollars. May hold real estate.

Sect. 11. Said company may issue its bonds for the construction of its works, of any and all kinds upon such rates and times as it may deem expedient, not exceeding the amount of capital stock subscribed for and secure the same by mortgage of the franchise, income and property of said company. May issue bonds and mortgage property.

Sect. 12. The first meeting of said company may be called by a written notice thereof, signed by any one incorporator herein named, served upon each incorporator by giving in hand or by leaving the same at his last usual place of abode, seven days before the time of meeting. First meeting, how called.

Sect. 13. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 10, 1897.

## Chapter 428.

An Act to incorporate the Kingfield Water Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. H. S. Wing, E. E. Jenkins, John Winter, Charles W. French, A. G. Winter, Orren Tufts, C. W. Clark, W. J. Jordan, O. W. Simmons, E. C. Williamson, F. J. D. Barnjum, with their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation under the name of the Kingfield Water Company, for the purpose of supplying the inhabitants of the town of Kingfield with suitable water for industrial, manufacturing, domestic, sanitary and municipal purposes, including the extinguishment of fire; with all the rights and privileges, and subject to all the liabilities and obligations of similar corporations under the laws of this state. Corporators.  
—corporate name.  
—purposes.

Sect. 2. For any of the purposes aforesaid the said corporation is hereby authorized to take and use water from the Carrabassett river, or from any spring, pond, brook or other waters May take water from Carrabassett river, etc.

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in the town of Kingfield, except springs now in use for supplying water for domestic purposes; to conduct and distribute the same into and through the said town of Kingfield; and to survey for, locate, construct and maintain suitable and convenient dams, reservoirs, buildings, machinery, lines of pipes, aqueducts, structures and appurtenances.

May lay  
pipes over  
river.

Sect. 3. The said corporation is hereby authorized to lay, construct and maintain its lines of pipe under, in and over the Carrabassett river and any tributaries thereof, in the said town of Kingfield, and to build and maintain all necessary structures therefor, at such places as may be necessary for the said purposes of the said corporation; and to cross any water course, private or public sewer, or to change the direction thereof, where necessary for their said purposes of incorporation, but in such manner as not to obstruct or impair the use thereof, and the said corporation shall be liable for any injury or damage caused thereby.

—may cross  
any water  
course, pri-  
vate or pub-  
lic sewer.

May lay  
pipes along  
any high-  
way, etc.

Sect. 4. The said corporation is hereby authorized to lay, construct and maintain in, under, through, along, over and across the highways, ways, streets, railroads and bridges in the said town of Kingfield, and to take up, replace and repair, all such aqueducts, pipes, hydrants and other structures and fixtures as may be necessary and convenient for the said purposes of said corporation; and the said corporation shall be responsible for all damages to said town and to all corporations, persons and property, occasioned by such use of the said highways, ways and streets. Whenever the said corporation shall lay down or construct any fixtures in any highway, way or street, or make any alterations or repairs upon works in any highway, way or street, it shall cause the same to be done with as little obstruction to public travel as may be practicable, and shall at its own expense, without unnecessary delay, cause the earth and pavement then removed by it, to be replaced in proper condition.

—responsi-  
ble for all  
damages.

—shall not  
obstruct  
public  
travel.

May take  
and hold  
any lands  
for flowage,  
etc.

Sect. 5. The said corporation is hereby authorized to take and hold, by purchase or otherwise, any lands necessary for flowage, and also for its dams, reservoirs, gates, hydrants, buildings and other necessary structures, and may locate, erect, lay and maintain aqueducts, lines of pipe, hydrants and other necessary structures or fixtures, in, over and through any land for the said purposes, and excavate in and through such land for such location, construction and erection. And in general to do any

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acts necessary, convenient or proper, for carrying out any of the said purposes of incorporation. It may enter upon such lands to make surveys and locations, and shall file in the registry of deeds for the county of Franklin, plans of such locations and lands, showing the property taken, and within thirty days thereafter publish notice of such filing in some newspaper in said county, such publication to be continued three weeks successively. Not more than two rods in width of land shall be occupied by any one line of pipe or aqueduct.

—shall file plans of location in registry of deeds in Franklin county.

Sect. 6. Should the said corporation and the owner of any land required for the said purposes of incorporation, be unable to agree upon the damages to be paid for such location, taking, holding and construction, the land owner may, within twelve months after the said filing of plans of location, apply to the commissioners of said county of Franklin, and cause such damages to be assessed in the same manner and under the same conditions, as are prescribed by law in the case of damages by the laying out of railroads. If the said corporation shall fail to pay such land owner, or deposit for his use with the clerk of the county commissioners aforesaid, such sums as may be finally awarded as damages, with costs when recovered by him, within ninety days after notice of final judgment shall have been received by the clerk of courts of the said county, the said location shall be thereby invalid and the said corporation shall forfeit all rights under the same, as against the owner of the land. The said corporation may make a tender to any land owner damaged under the provisions of this act, and if such land owner recovers more damages than was tendered him by the said corporation, he shall recover cost, otherwise the said corporation shall recover cost. In case the said corporation shall begin to occupy such land before the rendition of final judgment, the land owner may require the said corporation to file its bond to him with the said county commissioners, in such sum and with such sureties as they may approve, conditioned for the payment of the damages that may be awarded. No action shall be brought against the said corporation for such taking, holding and occupation, until after such failure to pay or deposit as aforesaid. Failure to apply for damages within the said twelve months, shall be held to be a waiver of the same.

Damages, how assessed in case of disagreement.

—location invalid, if damages are not paid.

—failure to apply for damages, shall be held as a waiver.

Sect. 7. The said corporation is hereby authorized to make contracts with the United States, the state of Maine, the county of Franklin, the town of Kingfield, and with the inhabitants

May contract to supply water.

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—town may  
contract  
for water  
and exempt  
from taxa-  
tion.

Capital  
stock.

May hold  
real estate.

May issue  
bonds and  
mortgage  
property.

First meet-  
ing, how  
called.

thereof or any corporations doing business therein, for the supply of water and power for the purposes contemplated in this act; and the said town and corporation by their proper officers, are hereby authorized to enter into contract with the said corporation for a supply of water for any and all purposes mentioned in this act, and for such exemption from public burdens as the said town and the said corporation may agree upon, which when made, shall be legal and binding upon all parties thereto.

Sect. 8. The capital stock of the said corporation shall be fifteen thousand dollars, which may be increased to any sum not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, by a majority vote of the stockholders of the said corporation; and the stock shall be divided into shares of fifty dollars each.

Sect. 9. The said corporation for all its purposes, may hold real and personal estate necessary and convenient therefor, to the amount of fifty thousand dollars.

Sect. 10. The said corporation may issue its bonds for the construction of its works, of any and all kinds, upon such rates and time as it may deem expedient not to exceed the amount of the capital stock subscribed for, and secure the same by mortgage of its franchise and property.

Sect. 11. The first meeting of said corporation shall be called by a written notice thereof, signed by any two of the named incorporators, served upon each named incorporator by giving him the same in hand, or by leaving the same at his last and usual place of abode, at least seven days before the time of meeting, or by publishing said notice in some newspaper published in Phillips.

Sect. 12. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 10, 1897.



**Chapter 429.**

An Act to confirm the organization of the New York Machine Company, and to enable it to aid in the construction of railroad tracks.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. In addition to the powers conferred upon the New York Machine Company by its organization, which are hereby confirmed and made valid, said corporation is hereby authorized to lay and maintain over its own premises such railroad track or tracks as may be necessary to connect its manufactories with each other and with any railroad or railroads adjacent thereto, and to aid in the construction of such railroad tracks as may be necessary therefor, and to make all necessary contracts touching the same. Said corporation is further empowered to purchase, own, sell and use the stocks, bonds and evidences of indebtedness, and property of other corporations engaged in like business, and to vote upon said stock; also to issue common and preferred stock as provided by its certificate of organization, and vote upon the same in accordance with its by-laws; also to lease and sell its property and franchises upon such terms as shall be approved by its stockholders in accordance with its by-laws at a legal meeting called for that purpose.

Organiza-  
tion of  
company,  
made valid.

—powers  
and privi-  
leges.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 10, 1897.

**Chapter 430.**

An Act relating to the Hallowell Water Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The Hallowell Water Company is hereby authorized for all domestic and municipal purposes to maintain and continue its system of water works in said city as now maintained, including all things used or necessary therefor, and to take, hold and convey into, about and through said city, water from the Vaughan brook, so called, and its tributaries, from the Kennebec river, from natural springs and from such artesian wells as it may construct or develop; and said company within the limits of the rights above granted may flow, take and hold, by pur-

Company  
authorized  
to maintain  
system of  
water  
works.

—may take  
land and  
water  
rights.

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chase or otherwise, on making proper compensation therefor as hereinafter provided, any lands and land or water rights in the city of Hallowell, for laying and maintaining pipes for conducting, discharging, disposing of and distributing water, and for constructing, and maintaining reservoirs, stand pipes, dams and such other works as may be deemed necessary or proper for raising, forcing, retaining, distributing, discharging or disposing of said water, and for the erection of any works for said purposes.

**Powers and  
privileges.**

Sect. 2. Said company may lay and maintain pipes from any or all of its sources of supply, to, into, through and about said city and secure and maintain the same by any suitable works therefor; may regulate the use of said water within said city, and establish, receive and collect the rates to be paid therefor; and said company may, for the purposes aforesaid, carry, conduct and maintain any pipes or other works by it to be made, laid down, or conducted over, under, through or across any water course, stream, bridge, highway or other way in such manner as not to obstruct the travel thereof; may enter upon and dig up any such road, street or way for the purpose of laying down pipes beneath the surface thereof and for maintaining and repairing the same; and in general, may do any other acts and things necessary or convenient and proper for carrying out the purposes of this act. Said company may lay and maintain pipes across any railroad, but in case of failure to agree with any railroad company as to place, manner and conditions of crossing its railroad with such pipes, the place, manner and conditions of such crossing shall be determined by the railroad commissioners, and all work within the limits of the railroad locations shall be done under the supervision and to the satisfaction of the officers and agents of the railroad company, but at the expense of said water company.

**Shall file  
plan of lo-  
cation in  
registry of  
deeds in  
Kennebec  
county.**

Sect. 3. Said company shall file in the registry of deeds for the county of Kennebec, plans and descriptions of the location of all lands and water rights taken under the provisions of this act, and no entry shall be made upon any land except to make surveys, until the expiration of twenty days from such filing; and with such plan the corporation may file a statement of the damages it is willing to pay to any person for any property so taken, and if the amount finally awarded does not exceed the sum offered, said company shall recover costs against such

**—may file  
statement  
of damages  
it is willing  
to pay.**

person; otherwise such person shall recover costs against said company. CHAP. 430

Sect. 4. Said company shall be held liable to pay all damages that shall be sustained by any person by reason of the taking of any land or other property as aforesaid, or by flowage, or by excavating through any land or other property for the purpose of surveying for, locating, maintaining, laying or building dams, reservoirs, stand pipes, pipes, hydrants or other necessary structures or fixtures, by taking and holding any lands necessary for flowage, and for any other injuries resulting from the exercise of any of the powers granted by this act; and if any person sustaining damages as aforesaid shall not agree with said company upon the sum to be paid, either party, upon petition to the county commissioners, may have the same determined by said commissioners in the same manner that damages are determined in the case of land taken by railroad companies.

Damages,  
how deter-  
mined in  
case of dis-  
agreement.

Sect. 5. Said company is hereby authorized to make contracts with said city of Hallowell, and with corporations, associations and individuals for the purpose of supplying them with water, and is also authorized to purchase water, for the purposes aforesaid, of corporations, associations and individuals.

May con-  
tract to  
supply  
water.

Sect. 6. For all purposes of extension and improvement of its existing plant said Hallowell Water Company is hereby authorized to issue its corporate bonds and secure the same by mortgage of all, or any part of, its property and franchises, such bonds and mortgage to be on such times, terms and conditions as the corporation shall vote, but not to exceed in amount the amount expended on said plant, its improvements and extensions.

May issue  
bonds and  
mortgage  
property.

Sect. 7. Nothing in this act shall affect the proceedings now pending before a commission appointed by the supreme judicial court sitting for the county of Kennebec under the provisions of chapter two hundred eighty of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five.

Act shall  
not affect  
pending  
proceed-  
ings.

Sect. 8. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 11, 1897.

CHAP. 431**Chapter 431.**

An Act to extend the rights and privileges of the Underwood Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Rights and  
privileges  
of company,  
extended.

The Underwood Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of this state, is hereby authorized to engage in the business of hotel keeping and managing summer resorts and amusements; to hold stock in street railroad operating in the towns of Falmouth or Cumberland, and steamboat companies operating boats which use wharves in the towns of Falmouth or Cumberland; and to hold stock in hotel, summer resort and hotel companies; to issue bonds not exceeding the capital stock of said The Underwood Company subscribed for, and for the purpose of securing said bonds, said The Underwood Company is hereby authorized and empowered to mortgage its real and personal property, its franchise, good will, trade marks and all other rights of which it may be the owner, and said mortgage shall be a valid lien upon the said property, trade marks and rights so mortgaged, notwithstanding said bonds may be sold at less than their par value.

Approved March 11, 1897.

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**Chapter 432.**

An Act to amend the charter of the Portsmouth, Kittery and York Street Railway.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Charter ex-  
tended.

Sect. 1. The time within which the Portsmouth, Kittery and York Street Railway, incorporated under the name of the Kittery and York Electric Railroad Company, by chapter five hundred and eighty-two of the private and special laws for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-three, is required to actually commence business, is hereby extended to the first day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 11, 1897.

**Chapter 433.**

An Act to amend Section six of Chapter four hundred thirteen of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and fifty, entitled "An Act to incorporate the City of Hallowell."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Amend section six of the city charter by adding thereto the following: 'The board of overseers of the poor shall be appointed by the city council, and shall hold office for a term of one year or three years as the city council may determine; but when the term of office is fixed for three years, the first overseer shall be appointed for three years, the second overseer for two years and the third overseer for one year; and each year thereafter one overseer shall be appointed for three years.'

Section 6,  
city charter,  
amended.

Board of  
overseers,  
how ap-  
pointed.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 11, 1897.

**Chapter 434.**

An Act to amend an act, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Farmington Village Corporation."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section two of chapter three hundred and ninety-two of the private laws of eighteen hundred and sixty is hereby amended by adding thereto the following:

Section 2,  
chapter 392,  
private  
laws, 1860,  
amended.

'Sect. 2. Said Farmington Village Corporation, at any legal meeting called for that purpose, may vote to purchase the entire works and rights of the Farmington Water Company, for such sum of money as may be adjudged payable according to the terms of article ten of the contract entered into between said Farmington Village Corporation and said Farmington Water Company; or in accordance with the terms of any other contract hereafter entered into by the same parties. Said Farmington Village Corporation shall after such vote and payment of the purchase price to the said Farmington Water Company, receive from said Farmington Water Company an assignment and transfer of all the works and rights of said Farmington Water Company, and shall thereafter own and operate said works and exercise and enjoy the rights and franchise of said water company as fully as if granted to it direct.'

Village corporation  
may purchase  
rights of water  
company  
according to  
terms of  
contract.

—shall own  
and operate  
works.

CHAP. 431**Chapter 431.**

An Act to extend the rights and privileges of the Underwood Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Rights and  
privileges  
of company,  
extended.

The Underwood Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of this state, is hereby authorized to engage in the business of hotel keeping and managing summer resorts and amusements; to hold stock in street railroad operating in the towns of Falmouth or Cumberland, and steamboat companies operating boats which use wharves in the towns of Falmouth or Cumberland; and to hold stock in hotel, summer resort and hotel companies; to issue bonds not exceeding the capital stock of said The Underwood Company subscribed for, and for the purpose of securing said bonds, said The Underwood Company is hereby authorized and empowered to mortgage its real and personal property, its franchise, good will, trade marks and all other rights of which it may be the owner, and said mortgage shall be a valid lien upon the said property, trade marks and rights so mortgaged, notwithstanding said bonds may be sold at less than their par value.

Approved March 11, 1897.

**Chapter 432.**

An Act to amend the charter of the Portsmouth, Kittery and York Street Railway.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Charter ex-  
tended.

Sect. 1. The time within which the Portsmouth, Kittery and York Street Railway, incorporated under the name of the Kittery and York Electric Railroad Company, by chapter five hundred and eighty-two of the private and special laws for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-three, is required to actually commence business, is hereby extended to the first day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 11, 1897.

**Chapter 433.**

An Act to amend Section six of Chapter four hundred thirteen of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and fifty, entitled "An Act to incorporate the City of Hallowell."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Amend section six of the city charter by adding thereto the following: 'The board of overseers of the poor shall be appointed by the city council, and shall hold office for a term of one year or three years as the city council may determine; but when the term of office is fixed for three years, the first overseer shall be appointed for three years, the second overseer for two years and the third overseer for one year; and each year thereafter one overseer shall be appointed for three years.'

Section 6,  
city charter,  
amended.

Board of  
overseers,  
how appointed.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 11, 1897.

**Chapter 434.**

An Act to amend an act, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Farmington Village Corporation."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section two of chapter three hundred and ninety-two of the private laws of eighteen hundred and sixty is hereby amended by adding thereto the following:

Section 2,  
chapter 392,  
private  
laws, 1860,  
amended.

'Sect. 2. Said Farmington Village Corporation, at any legal meeting called for that purpose, may vote to purchase the entire works and rights of the Farmington Water Company, for such sum of money as may be adjudged payable according to the terms of article ten of the contract entered into between said Farmington Village Corporation and said Farmington Water Company; or in accordance with the terms of any other contract hereafter entered into by the same parties. Said Farmington Village Corporation shall after such vote and payment of the purchase price to the said Farmington Water Company, receive from said Farmington Water Company an assignment and transfer of all the works and rights of said Farmington Water Company, and shall thereafter own and operate said works and exercise and enjoy the rights and franchise of said water company as fully as if granted to it direct.'

Village corporation  
may purchase rights  
of water company  
according to  
terms of contract.

—shall own  
and operate  
works.

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Corporation authorized to raise money.

Sect. 2. The Farmington Village Corporation is hereby vested with the authority to raise such sum or sums of money as are necessary for the payment of the purchase price of said works or in payment of future extensions, additions or improvements of the same, by assessment upon the polls and property within its territory or by the issuance of bonds of the corporation and to execute its mortgage of the above works and rights as security for their payment.

Approved March 11, 1897.

**Chapter 435.**

An Act relating to Chapter one hundred and eighty-nine of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Milbridge Water Company."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Charter extended.

Sect. 1. The rights, powers and privileges of the Milbridge Water Company which were granted by chapter one hundred and eighty-nine of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, are hereby extended for eighteen months additional; and the persons named in said act shall have all the rights, powers and privileges that were granted by said act to be exercised in the same manner, and for the same purposes as provided in said act.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 11, 1897.

**Chapter 436.**

An Act granting Ernest E. Abbott the right to establish and maintain a ferry between Sullivan and Hancock.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Ernest E. Abbott, authorized to establish a ferry.

Sect. 1. Ernest E. Abbott of Hancock and his assigns are hereby authorized to establish and maintain a ferry for the space of eight years between the towns of Sullivan and Hancock, in the county of Hancock, across Taunton bay, or Sullivan river, so called, from the terminus of the road as now existing on the Sullivan shore to the terminus of the road as now existing on

—location.



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the Hancock shore; with the right to keep and maintain suitable boats to be propelled by oars, sails, cable, naphtha, gasoline, or similar motive power, for the prompt and safe conveyance and transportation of passengers, teams, carriages and freight, and he is hereby authorized, for this purpose, to lay and maintain a cable across said Sullivan river, between the termini above mentioned, but in such a way as not to obstruct navigation. Said Abbott or his assigns is hereby authorized and empowered to erect and maintain at the terminal points of said ferry such wharves, slips, landings, toll houses, waiting rooms and other structures as may be necessary for the proper and convenient operation and maintenance of said ferry; and for that purpose to take and hold or purchase and lease real estate at the terminal points of said ferry. If the parties cannot agree as to the value of any land taken under this act, the value shall be fixed and the damages assessed in the manner provided by law in cases when real estate is taken by railroads.

—motive power.

—may lay cable across Sullivan river.

—erect wharves, etc.

Sect. 2. The following rates of toll are hereby established; for a single team and carriage carrying not exceeding two persons, thirty-five cents; for a double team and carriage carrying not exceeding two persons, fifty cents; for each person exceeding two, five cents; and for each additional horse, ten cents; for a foot passenger, ten cents; for a yoke of cattle and driver, thirty-five cents; for same with cart, fifty cents; for an ox or horse not driven in harness, fifteen cents; and for each additional ten cents, the driver paying as a foot passenger; and for sheep or swine, five cents per head; for a bicycle and rider, twenty cents.

Tolls.

Sect. 3. Said ferry shall be operated, when the weather permits, from half past five o'clock in the forenoon until nine o'clock in the afternoon, between the dates of May fifteen and September fifteen of each year, and from sunrise until half past seven o'clock in the afternoon between the dates of September fifteen and May fifteen inclusive of each year. But transportation shall be provided for foot passengers from the last down train at night at Hancock, at fifteen cents each, but not later than half past nine in the afternoon, standard time. For any unreasonable neglect or delay to transport either passengers or freight during the hours thus named, the persons operating said ferry shall be liable in an action on the case to the party injured for his damages.

When ferry shall be operated.

—liable for neglect.

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Penalty for  
keeping a  
ferry, con-  
trary to  
provisions  
of this act.

Sect. 4. Any person who keeps a ferry contrary to the provisions of this act, or who transports passengers, teams, carriages or freight between said towns of Sullivan and Hancock, across said Taunton bay or Sullivan river within three-fourths of a statute mile above or below the ferry established by this act, for hire, or who furnishes for hire a boat or other craft for such purpose, forfeits four dollars for each day such ferry is kept or for each time of transportation, the same to be recovered by said Abbott or his assigns, to their use, in an action on the case.

Shall give  
bond.

—proceed-  
ings, in case  
of injuries.

Sect. 5. Said Abbott or his assigns, shall give a bond to the treasurer of the county of Hancock in such sum as the county commissioners of said county shall require, and with two sureties approved by said commissioners, for the faithful performance of the provisions of this act. Any one injured in person or property by the negligence or fault of the persons operating said ferry, or their employes, may commence a suit on such bond in which the proceedings shall be similar to those in actions on the bonds of sheriffs, or instead may sue the person operating said ferry in an action on the case.

County  
commis-  
sioners  
shall have  
supervis-  
ion of ferry.

—may re-  
voke privi-  
leges.

Sect. 6. The county commissioners of Hancock county shall have supervision of all matters pertaining to all apparatus used in operating said ferry and service at the same, and upon petition and hearing, may order the same to be improved, and if said order shall not be complied with to their satisfaction, may revoke all the privileges granted in this act; and may, after petition and hearing, at any time, revoke the same when in their judgment the public interests demand it. When at any hearing they find the person operating said ferry to be at fault, the latter shall pay costs of hearing, not including counsel fees; otherwise said costs shall be paid by petitioner. If said commissioners shall under the foregoing provisions revoke the privileges granted by this act, they shall thereupon appraise the boats, apparatus and other personal property used in running said ferry at its fair value, and any person who may be appointed to run said ferry by said commissioners under the statutes of Maine, shall purchase said property at said appraisal if the owner thereof consents thereto.

Privileges  
may be  
assigned.

Sect. 7. Said Abbott or his assigns may transfer, by assignment in writing, the privileges granted by this act, and the person so transferring said rights shall be relieved from all obligations imposed by this act.

Sect. 8. Chapter one hundred and fifty-nine of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five is hereby repealed.

Sect. 9. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 12, 1897.

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Chapter 159,  
private  
laws, 1895,  
repealed.

## Chapter 437.

An Act to incorporate the Sunny Side Cemetery Association.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Waldo Pettengill, Oliver A. Pettengill, Stanley Bisbee, George D. Bisbee, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby made and constituted a body corporate by the name of the Sunny Side Cemetery Association; and the said corporation is hereby authorized to locate, construct, maintain and perpetuate a public cemetery within the town of Rumford, and for the purposes of said corporation may purchase, or take and hold as for public use, such land as may be necessary for the present or future requirements of said corporation; land so taken shall not extend nearer any dwelling house than twenty-five rods against the written protest of the owner made to the corporation.

Corpora-  
tors.

—corporate  
name.

—author-  
ized to  
maintain a  
cemetery.

—may take  
land.

Sect. 2. Whenever said corporation desires to take land of any person for such cemetery, or to enlarge the same, it shall first cause the same to be surveyed and a plan made and signed by the president and treasurer of said corporation, with the date of such survey. The original shall be filed in the office of the register of deeds for the county of Oxford and a copy of the same, attested by such register, given to the owner of the land described, or mailed to his last known post office address, and when said plan is so filed it shall be deemed and treated as taken by said corporation. If the owner of said land does not consent thereto, or the parties do not agree as to the necessity therefor, or the area necessary to be taken, the corporation may make written application to the county commissioners, describing the land and naming the persons interested; the commissioners shall appoint a time for the hearing near the premises and require notice to be given to the persons interested as they may direct, fourteen days at least

Proceed-  
ings, when  
land is  
taken.

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before said time; and shall then view the premises, hear the parties and determine how much, if any, of such land is necessary for the reasonable present and future use of said corporation. If they find that any or all of the land so described is necessary they shall furnish the corporation with a certificate containing a definite description thereof; and when it is filed with the register of deeds in the county where the land lies their decision shall be final, and the land shall be deemed and treated as taken, and in the event the owner of the land taken and the corporation are unable to agree upon the damages sustained by reason of such taking, the same shall be ascertained and paid in the manner provided by law for the taking of land for highways.

**Powers and  
privileges.**

Sect. 3. This corporation is hereby authorized, after it shall have obtained the necessary land, to grade and lay the same into lots, locate and build streets, plant shade trees, construct fountains, erect and maintain receiving tombs, purchase a hearse and do any and all additional things that may, from time to time, be required to establish and maintain a modern public cemetery.

**Capital  
stock.**

Sect. 4. The capital stock of the corporation shall not exceed twenty-five thousand dollars, and shall be divided into shares of twenty-five dollars each.

**May hold  
hold real  
and personal  
estate.**

Sect. 5. For the purposes of the corporation it is hereby authorized to hold real and personal property, to raise money by the sale of its lots, by the issue and sale of its capital stock, to raise money by loan, and to receive and hold bequests from persons and corporations for the purpose of protecting, caring for and beautifying said cemetery or lots therein.

**Lots shall  
be set apart  
for use of  
town.**

Sect. 6. The corporation shall set apart a suitable lot or lots for the free use of the town for the burial of such persons as have been a town charge, or who are buried at the expense of the town.

**Officers and  
by-laws.**

Sect. 7. The corporation is authorized to elect all proper officers and to adopt a code of by-laws, and shall be subject to all general laws relating to taxation as now or hereafter may apply to public cemeteries.

**First meet-  
ing, how  
called.**

Sect. 8. Either of the corporators named herein are authorized to call the first meeting by giving at least seven days' written notice of the time and place of said meeting mailed to each of his associates.

Sect. 9. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 12, 1897.

**Chapter 438.**

An Act to incorporate the Ogunquit Water Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. George H. Littlefield, William B. Littlefield, Nehemiah P. M. Jacobs, J. Warren Gordon, Samuel J. Perkins, Joseph H. Littlefield, Edward J. Weare, Charles L. Perkins, Aaron H. Littlefield, Lincoln C. Littlefield, James M. Perkins, Wilbur F. Cousens, Luther S. Perkins and A. B. Littlefield with their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation by the name of the Ogunquit Water Company, for the purpose of supplying that part of the town of Wells, south of the Webhannett river so called, and the residents therein, with pure water for domestic and municipal purposes, including the extinguishment of fires.

Corpora-  
tors.

—corporate  
name.

—purposes.

Sect. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized, for the purposes aforesaid, to take, hold, protect and use the water of the two streams known as the Josias river, and the Ogunquit river, or either of said streams, and all ponds and streams tributary thereto; and to erect and maintain dams on said streams, and to erect and maintain all necessary reservoirs and pumping stations, and to lay down and maintain pipes and aqueducts necessary for the proper accumulating, conducting, distributing, discharging and disposing of water. And said corporation may take and hold, by purchase or otherwise, any lands or other real estate necessary for any of the purposes aforesaid; and may excavate in and through any lands when necessary for the purposes of this corporation.

May take  
water from  
Josias and  
Ogunquit  
rivers, etc.

—erect  
dams, reser-  
voirs, lay  
pipes.

—may take  
land, etc.

Sect. 3. Said corporation is authorized to lay, construct and maintain, in, through, under and along highways, streets, bridges and water courses in said town all such aqueducts, pipes, hydrants and structures as may be necessary for the purposes of this corporation, and to take up, repair and replace the same; and when any work is done within the limits of the highways and streets, it shall be done under such restrictions and regulations as the selectmen of the town may impose.

May lay  
pipes along  
highways,  
etc., under  
regulations  
of select-  
men.

Sect. 4. Said corporation is authorized to lay and maintain its pipes under, in and over tidal waters, and to build and maintain all necessary structures therefor, all to be done at such places as may be necessary for the purposes of said corporation and not to obstruct navigation.

May lay  
pipes under  
tide waters.

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May cross  
any public  
or private  
sewer.

Sect. 5. Said corporation shall have power to cross any public or private sewer, or to change the course thereof when necessary for the purposes of this corporation, but in such manner as not to obstruct or impair the use thereof; and said corporation shall be liable for any injury caused thereby.

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all dam-  
ages, and  
how ascer-  
tained in  
case of dis-  
agreement.

Sect. 6. Said corporation shall be liable to pay all damages that shall be sustained by any person by the taking of any land or other property, or by flowage or excavations, or by building dams and reservoirs, or laying down pipes and hydrants; and if any person sustaining damages as aforesaid and this corporation shall not mutually agree upon the sum to be paid therefor, such person, or said corporation may cause the damage to be ascertained in the manner prescribed by law in case of damage by laying out highways.

May con-  
tract to  
supply  
water.

Sect. 7. Said corporation is authorized to make contracts with the inhabitants of said town and with individuals therein, and with other corporations, for the purpose of supplying water as contemplated by this act; and said town, by its selectmen, is authorized to contract with said corporation for a supply of water for municipal or other purposes as said town and this corporation may agree, which contract shall be legal and binding on all parties thereto.

—town  
may con-  
tract for  
water.

May hold  
real and  
personal es-  
tate.

Sect. 8. Said corporation may hold real and personal estate necessary and convenient for the purposes aforesaid, not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars.

Capital  
stock.

Sect. 9. The capital stock of this corporation shall not exceed in amount fifty thousand dollars, and shall be divided into shares of ten dollars each.

May issue  
bonds and  
mortgage  
property.

Sect. 10. Said corporation may issue its bonds for the construction and maintenance of its works upon such rates and for such time as it may deem expedient, not exceeding its capital stock subscribed for, and secure the same by mortgage of the franchise and property of the corporation.

First meet-  
ing, how  
called.

Sect. 11. The first meeting of this corporation may be called by written notice thereof, signed by any two of the corporators herein named, served on each corporator by giving him the same in hand, or by mailing the same to him, directed to his last known place of residence, at least thirty days before the time of said meeting.

Sect. 12. This act shall take effect when approved.

**Chapter 439.**

An Act to prohibit the killing of Deer on Long Island.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. All persons are hereby prohibited from hunting or killing any deer on Long Island, in the town of Bluehill, in the county of Hancock, for the space of five years, under the pains and penalties now prescribed by law for hunting or killing deer in close time.

Close time  
for deer in  
Bluehill, es-  
tablished  
for five  
years.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 12, 1897.

**Chapter 440.**

An Act to regulate the shooting of ducks on the Kennebec River and Merrymeeting Bay.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Whoever kills, in any manner, any wild duck, of any kind, on the Kennebec river, or the shores thereof, south of the Gardiner and Randolph bridge, or on Merrymeeting bay or the shores thereof, between sunset and the daylight of morning, forfeits twenty-five dollars for each offense.

Killing of  
ducks on  
Kennebec  
river, be-  
tween sun-  
set and  
daylight of  
morning,  
prohibited.  
—penalty.

Sect. 2. Whoever hunts, kills or destroys any wild duck, of any kind, within the limits described in section one, with the aid of jack lights, so called, or any artificial light, at any time, forfeits fifty dollars for each offense.

Hunting  
with jack  
lights, etc.,  
prohibited.  
—penalty.

Approved March 12, 1897.

**CHAP. 441****Chapter 441.**

An Act to authorize the construction of a weir, in tide waters, on Sheep's Cove Ledge, in Pennamaquon River, in Pembroke, County of Washington.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Thompson  
Wilbur au-  
thorized to  
build weir  
in Pem-  
broke.

—proviso.

Sect. 1. Thompson Wilbur of Pembroke, in the county of Washington, or whoever may be the owner of what is known as Sheep's Cove ledge, in tide waters in Pennamaquon river, in the town of Pembroke, is hereby authorized to build and maintain a weir for fishing purposes on said ledge; providing the same does not interfere with navigation or the rights of shore owners.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 12, 1887.

**Chapter 442.**

An Act to incorporate the Mercantile Trust Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Corpora-  
tors.

—corporate  
name.

Location.

Purposes.

Sect. 1. William H. Milliken, Weston Lewis, Isaiah K. Stetson, and Seth L. Larrabee, or such of them as may by vote accept this charter, with their associates, successors and assigns are hereby made a body corporate and politic, to be known as the Mercantile Trust Company, and as such shall be possessed of all the powers, privileges and immunities and subject to all the duties and obligations conferred on corporations by law.

Sect. 2. The corporation hereby created shall be located at Portland, Cumberland county, Maine.

Sect. 3. The purposes of said corporation and the business which it may perform, are: first, to receive on deposit, money, coin, bank notes, evidences of debt, accounts of individuals, companies, corporations, municipalities and states, allowing interest thereon, if agreed, or as the by-laws of said corporation may provide; second, to borrow money, to loan money on credits, real estate, personal or collateral security, and to negotiate loans and sales for others; third, to own and maintain safe deposit vaults, with boxes, safes and other facilities therein to be rented to other parties for the safe keeping of moneys,



securities, stocks, jewelry, plate, valuable papers and documents, and other property susceptible of being deposited therein, and may receive on deposit for safe keeping, property of any kind entrusted to it for that purpose; fourth, to act as agent for issuing, registering and countersigning certificates, bonds, stocks, and all evidences of debt or ownership in property; fifth, to hold by grant, assignment, transfer, devise or bequest, any real or personal property or trusts duly created, and to execute trusts of every description; sixth, to act as assignee, receiver, executor, and no surety shall be necessary upon the bond of the corporation, unless the court or officer approving such bond shall require it; seventh, to do in general all the business that may lawfully be done by a trust and banking company, but said corporation shall not have the power or authority to establish branches.

Sect. 4. The capital stock of said corporation shall not be less than fifty thousand dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, with the right to increase the said capital stock at any time by a vote of the shareholders to any amount not exceeding five hundred thousand dollars. Said corporation shall not commence business as a trust or banking company, until stock to the amount of at least fifty thousand dollars shall have been subscribed and paid in, in cash.

Capital  
stock.

—shall not  
commence  
business un-  
til \$50,000  
has been  
paid in.

Sect. 5. Said corporation shall not make any loan or discount on the security of the shares of its own capital stock, nor be the purchaser or holder of any such shares unless necessary to prevent loss upon a debt previously contracted in good faith; and all stock so acquired shall within six months from the time of its acquisition be disposed of at public or private sale.

Shall not  
make loans  
on its own  
stock.

Sect. 6. All the corporate powers of this corporation shall be exercised by a board of trustees, who shall be residents of this state, whose number and term of office shall be determined by a vote of the shareholders at the first meeting held by the incorporators and at each annual meeting thereafter. The affairs and powers of the corporation may, at the option of the shareholders, be entrusted to an executive board of five members, to be, by vote of the shareholders, elected from the full board of trustees. The trustees of said corporation shall be sworn to the proper discharge of their duties, and they shall hold office until others are elected and qualified in their stead. If a trustee or director dies, resigns, or becomes disqualified

Board of  
trustees.

—executive  
board.

—trustees  
shall be  
sworn.

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for any cause, the remaining trustees or directors may appoint a person to fill the vacancy until the next annual meeting of the corporation. The oath of office of such trustee or director shall be taken within thirty days of his election, or his office shall become vacant. The clerk of such corporation shall, within ten days, notify such trustees or directors of their election, and within thirty days shall publish the list of all persons who have taken the oath of office as trustees or directors.

Trustees  
shall con-  
stitute  
board of in-  
vestment.

Sect. 7. The board of trustees or directors of said corporation shall constitute the board of investment of said corporation. Said trustees or directors shall keep in a separate book, specially provided for the purpose, a record of all loans, and investments of every description, made by said institution substantially in the order of time when such loans or investments are made, which shall show that such loans or investments have been made with the approval of the investment committee of said corporation, which shall indicate such particulars respecting such loans or investments as the bank examiner shall direct. This book shall be submitted to the trustees or directors and to the bank examiner whenever requested. Such loans or investments shall be classified in the book as the bank examiner shall direct. No loan shall be made to any officer or director of said banking or trust company except by the unanimous approval of the executive board in writing, and said corporation shall have no authority to hire money or to give notes unless by vote of the said board duly recorded.

—loans to  
officers, how  
made.

Eligibility  
of trustees.

Sect. 8. No person shall be eligible to the position of a director or trustee of said corporation who is not the actual owner of ten shares of the stock.

Reserve  
fund.

Sect. 9. Said corporation, after beginning to receive deposits, shall, at all times, have on hand in lawful money, as a reserve, not less than fifteen per cent of the aggregate amount of its deposits which are subject to withdrawal on demand, provided, that in lieu of lawful money, two-thirds of said fifteen per cent may consist of balances payable on demand, due from any national or state bank.

Trust funds  
shall con-  
stitute a  
special de-  
posit.

Sect. 10. All the property or money held in trust by this corporation shall constitute a special deposit and the accounts thereof and of said trust department shall be kept separate, and such funds and the investment or loans of them shall be specially appropriated to the security and payment of such deposits, and not be subject to any other liabilities of the corporation;

and for the purpose of securing the observance of this proviso, said corporation shall have a trust department in which all business pertaining to such trust property shall be kept separate and distinct from its general business.

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—trust department.

Sect. 11. An administrator, executor, assignee, guardian, or trustee, any court of law or equity, including courts of probate and insolvency, officers and treasurers of towns, cities, counties, and savings banks of the state of Maine may deposit any moneys, bonds, stocks, evidences of debt or of ownership in property, or any personal property, with said corporation, and any of said courts may direct any person deriving authority from them to so deposit the same.

Adminis-  
trators, etc.,  
may deposit  
with.

Sect. 12. Each shareholder of this corporation shall be individually responsible for all contracts, debts and engagements of said corporation to a sum equal to the amount of the par value of the shares owned by him, in addition to the amount invested in said shares.

Responsi-  
bility of  
stock-  
holders.

Sect. 13. Such corporation shall set apart as a guaranty or surplus fund not less than ten per cent of its net earnings in each and every year until such fund with the accumulated interest thereon, shall amount to one-fourth of the capital stock of said corporation.

Guaranty  
fund.

Sect. 14. The shares of said corporation shall be subject to taxation in the same manner and rate as are the shares of national banks.

Taxation of  
shares.

Sect. 15. Said corporation shall be subject to examination by the bank examiner, who shall visit it at least once in every year, and as much oftener as he may deem expedient. At such visits he shall have free access to its vaults, books and papers, and shall thoroughly inspect and examine all the affairs of said corporation, and make such inquiries as may be necessary to ascertain its condition and ability to fulfill all its engagements. If upon examination of said corporation the examiner is of the opinion that its investments are not in accordance with law, or said corporation is insolvent, or its condition is such as to render its further proceedings hazardous to the public or to those having funds in its custody, or is of the opinion that it has exceeded its powers or failed to comply with any of the rules or restrictions provided by law, he shall have such authority and take such action as is provided for in the case of savings banks by chapter forty-seven of the revised statutes. He shall preserve in a permanent form a full record of his proceedings, including

Shall be  
examined  
annually by  
bank ex-  
aminer.—proceed-  
ings, when  
business be-  
comes haz-  
ardous.—shall keep  
record and  
publish  
same.

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a statement of the condition of said corporation. A copy of such statement shall be published by said corporation immediately after the annual examination of the same in some newspaper published where said corporation is established. If no paper is published in the town where said corporation is established, then it shall be published in a newspaper printed in the nearest city or town. The necessary expenses of the bank examiner while engaged in making such examination shall be paid by said corporation.

First meeting, how called.

Sect. 16. Any three of the corporators named in this act may call the first meeting of this corporation by mailing a written notice, signed by all, postage paid, to each of the other corporators, seven days at least before the day of the meeting, naming the time, place and purpose of such meeting, and at such meeting the necessary officers may be chosen, by-laws adopted and any other corporate business transacted.

Sect. 17. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 15, 1897.

### **Chapter 443.**

An Act to authorize and confirm the issue of preferred stock by the Poland Paper Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Doings of company, made valid.

Sect. 1. The action of the stockholders of the Poland Paper Company at a special meeting held on the fourteenth day of January, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, relative to the issue of preferred stock, the said meeting, the doings thereat, and the issue of preferred stock pursuant thereto, are hereby ratified and confirmed and declared legal and valid.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 15, 1897.

**Chapter 444.**

An Act to amend Section thirteen of Chapter four hundred and eighty-five of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, and as amended by Chapter fifty-two of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to the charter of the Peznaquid, Damariscotta and Newcastle Railroad Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section thirteen of chapter four hundred and eighty-five of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, as amended by chapter fifty-two of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, is hereby amended by striking out the word "four" in section thirteen and inserting in its place the word 'six' so that, when amended, it shall read as follows:

Section 13, chapter 485, private laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 52, laws of 1895, further amended.

'Sect. 13. This charter shall be null and void unless operations for building this railroad shall have been actually commenced within six years from date of passage of this act.'

Charter extended, six years.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 15, 1897.

**Chapter 445.**

An Act to authorize the county of Aroostook to make temporary loans.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The county commissioners of Aroostook county may raise by temporary loan, or loans, to be paid within one year from the time when the same are contracted, a sum not exceeding thirty thousand dollars in any year, for the use of said county, and cause interest bearing notes, or obligations of said county to be issued for payment thereof aforesaid.

County of Aroostook authorized make a temporary loan.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 15, 1897.

CHAP. 446**Chapter 446.**

An Act establishing the Maine School for the Deaf.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

School for  
deaf and  
dumb, es-  
tablished.

Sect. 1. The Maine School for the Deaf is hereby established to be devoted to the education and instruction of deaf and dumb children.

Location.

Sect. 2. Said school shall be located at Portland, in the county of Cumberland, and the governor and council are hereby authorized, on behalf of the state, to accept a conveyance from the city of Portland of the school lot, building and fixtures now used as a school for the deaf in said Portland upon the condition that the state shall hereafter assume the entire charge, responsibility and expense of maintaining said school.

—state may  
accept  
convey-  
ance of lot  
and build-  
ings.

Trustees,  
appoint-  
ment and  
tenure.

Sect. 3. The government of said school is hereby vested in a board of five trustees, to be appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the council, to hold office for a term of five years except, however, that the trustees first appointed shall hold office, one for one year, one for two years, one for three years, one for four years and one for five years.

Duties of  
trustees.

Sect. 4. The trustees shall have charge of the general interests of the school and see that its affairs are conducted in accordance with law and such by-laws as they may adopt; they may adopt by-laws which shall be valid when sanctioned by the governor and council; they may employ a principal and such teachers and other employes as they may deem advisable, and fix the compensation of the same subject to the approval of the governor and council; they may from time to time prescribe the system of education and course of study to be pursued in the school and shall be allowed for their services their actual expenses and two dollars a day when actually employed.

—course of  
study.

Admission  
and support  
of pupils.

Sect. 5. With the consent of its parent or guardian, the trustees may admit to said school for a term not exceeding twelve years, any deaf or dumb child residing in this state and not less than five years of age, who shall not be withdrawn or discharged from said school, except with the consent of the trustees or the governor and council, and the sums necessary for the support and instruction of such children while attending said school, shall be paid by the state.

Children  
from other  
states may  
be admitted.

Sect. 6. Deaf and dumb children residing in other states, may at the discretion of the trustees, be admitted to said school

upon the payment by their parents or guardian of a reasonable CHAP. 447  
compensation to be fixed by the trustees.

Approved March 15, 1897.

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### Chapter 447.

An Act additional relating to Hubbard Free Library of Hallowell.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in  
Legislature assembled, as follows:*

The several acts relating to the Hubbard Free Library of Hallowell, formerly the Hallowell Social Library, are hereby amended, so that said library may take and hold real and personal estate not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars.

Library au-  
thorized to  
hold real  
estate.

Approved March 15, 1897.

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### Chapter 448.

An Act authorizing the Town of Kittery to raise money for the observance of its  
two hundred and fiftieth anniversary.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in  
Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The town of Kittery is hereby authorized and empowered to raise a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, to be expended in such manner as it may determine for the proper observance of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of its incorporation.

Observ-  
ance of  
anniver-  
sary of  
town of  
Kittery.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 15, 1897.

**Chapter 449.**

An Act in relation to the school committee of the city of Portland.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Election of  
female  
members on  
school  
board of  
city of  
Portland.

Sect. 1. In addition to the members of the school committee of the city of Portland, as provided in the charter of said city, there shall be elected annually by a general vote of the city, at the time the other city officers are elected, three female members of said committee to hold office for the term of one year with the same powers as other members of the committee.

Amend-  
ment to  
charter  
shall not  
affect this  
act.

Sect. 2. No amendment of said charter or substitute therefor shall affect this act unless so specifically provided in said amendment or substitute.

Act shall  
take effect,  
when ac-  
cepted by  
voters of  
city.

Sect. 3. This act, except this section, shall not take effect until accepted by the voters of said city in ward meetings duly called by the mayor and aldermen, warned and conducted in the manner provided by law, and to be held on the date fixed by them, those favoring the adoption thereof voting 'yes,' and those opposed voting 'no,' and thereupon the same proceedings shall be had respecting the sorting, counting, declaring and recording the returns of said votes as is herein provided at the election of mayor; and the board of mayor and aldermen shall within three days meet together and compare the returns of the ward officers; and if it appear that a majority of all the votes given on the question of its acceptance are in favor thereof, the mayor shall forthwith make proclamation of the fact, and thereupon this act shall take effect.

Approved March 17, 1897.



**Chapter 450.**

An Act granting a new charter to the City of Portland.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The inhabitants of Portland shall continue to be a body politic and corporate by the name of the city of Portland, and as such, shall have, exercise, and enjoy all the rights, immunities, powers, privileges, and franchises, and shall be subject to all the duties and obligations provided for herein or otherwise now appertaining to or incumbent upon, said city, or the inhabitants or municipal authorities thereof; and may ordain reasonable by-laws, and regulations for municipal purposes and impose penalties for the breach thereof, not exceeding one hundred dollars, to be recovered for such uses as the board of aldermen may appoint.

—corporate name.

—may ordain by-laws.

Sect. 2. The administration of all the fiscal, prudential, and municipal affairs of said city, with the government thereof, shall be vested in the mayor, as the chief executive officer, and a council of twenty-one, to be called the board of aldermen, all of whom shall be inhabitants of said city, and shall be sworn or affirmed in the form prescribed by the constitution of the state for state officers.

Administration of municipal affairs, shall be vested in mayor and city council.

Sect. 3. The city shall remain divided into seven wards as they now exist, and it shall be the duty of the board of aldermen, not oftener than once in ten years, to revise, and if it be needful, to alter such wards, in such manner as now provided by law, as to preserve, as nearly as may be, an equal number of voters in each. In each of said wards, at the annual municipal election, there shall be chosen by ballot, a warden and clerk, who shall hold their offices for one year from the Monday following their election, and until others shall have been chosen and qualified in their places. Said warden and clerk shall be sworn or affirmed to the faithful performance of their respective duties by any justice of the peace; and a certificate of such oaths or affirmations having been administered shall be entered by the clerk on the records of the ward. The warden shall preside at all ward meetings, with the powers of moderators of town meetings. If at any meeting the warden shall not be present, or shall refuse to preside, the clerk of such ward shall call the meeting to order and preside until a warden pro tempore shall

Wards and revision.

—warden and clerk, how chosen and sworn.

—warden shall preside in ward meetings.

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—warden  
and clerk,  
pro tem.

—duties of  
clerk.

Islands  
shall con-  
stitute  
separate  
wards.

—warden  
and clerk,  
shall be  
resident of  
islands.

—first island  
ward and  
place of  
meeting.

—second  
island  
ward and  
place of  
meeting.

—meetings  
for election  
of city  
officers.

—votes for  
city officers,  
how re-  
ceived and  
returned.

Ward clerk  
shall deliver  
to persons  
elected, cer-  
tificate of  
election and  
to city clerk,  
certified  
copy of  
record of  
election.

be chosen. If both are absent, or shall refuse to act, a warden and clerk pro tempore shall be chosen. The clerk shall record all proceedings, and certify the votes given, and deliver over to his successor in office, all such records, together with all other documents and papers held by him in said capacity. The voters of each ward may choose two persons to assist the warden in receiving, sorting and counting the votes at all elections.

Sect. 4. The several islands within the city of Portland, so far constitute separate wards as to entitle the voters of each of said wards to choose a warden, ward clerk and one constable, who shall be residents of said islands and of their respective wards. The warden and ward clerk shall be sworn or affirmed to the faithful performance of their duties and shall hold office for one year from the Monday following their election, and until others shall have been chosen and qualified in their places. The first of said wards comprises Long island, Crotch island, Hope island, Jewell's island, and Little Chebeague island, or such parts of said islands as are within the city of Portland, and the ward meetings of said first ward shall be held on Long island. The second of said wards comprises the remaining islands within the city of Portland, and the ward meetings of said second ward shall be held on Peak's island. The electors of each of said wards may meet as provided in section forty-one of chapter four of revised statutes, and also for the choice of city officers, at the place designated, and may, on the day of election, vote for all officers named in the warrant calling the meeting. Said warden shall preside impartially at said meetings, receive the votes of all electors present, sort, count and declare them in open meeting and in presence of the clerk, who shall make a list of the persons voted for with the number of votes for each person against his name, and the offices respectively, and in open ward meeting and in presence of the warden, shall make a fair record thereof; a fair copy of this list shall be attested by the warden and clerk, sealed up in open meeting, and delivered to the clerk of ward number one in Portland within eighteen hours after closing the polls, and the votes thus thrown shall belong to the last mentioned ward.

Sect. 5. The ward clerk of each ward, within twenty-four hours after any election, shall deliver to the persons elected in said ward, certificates of their election, and shall forthwith deliver to the city clerk a certified copy of the record of such election, a plain and intelligible abstract of which shall be

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entered by the city clerk on the city records. If the choice of any such officers is not effected on that day, the meeting shall be adjourned to another day, not more than two days thereafter, to complete such election, and may so adjourn, from time to time, until the election is complete. The board of aldermen shall, as soon as conveniently may be, examine the copies of the records of the several wards, certified as aforesaid, and shall cause the person who shall have been elected mayor by a plurality of the votes given in all the wards, to be notified in writing of his election. But if it shall appear that no person shall have been so elected, or if the person elected shall refuse to accept the office, the said board shall issue their warrants for another election; and in case the citizens shall fail on second ballot to elect a mayor, the board of aldermen in convention shall, from the four highest candidates voted for at the second election and returned, elect a mayor for the ensuing term of one year; and in case of a vacancy in the office of mayor by death, resignation or otherwise, if such vacancy occurs before the last six months of said term, it shall be filled for the remainder of said term by a new election in the manner hereinbefore provided for the choice of said officer. If a vacancy occurs in the last six months of said term, the chairman of the board of aldermen shall act as mayor for the unexpired term, but shall not have the veto power.

Sect. 6. All ward meetings shall be notified and called by warrant from the mayor and aldermen, in the manner prescribed by law for notifying and calling town meetings by the selectmen of towns.

Sect. 7. The municipal election shall take place annually on the second Monday of December, and the municipal year shall begin at ten o'clock in the morning, on the first Monday of January next following, and continue until ten o'clock in the morning of the first Monday of January next following.

Sect. 8. At said municipal election the inhabitants of the city, voting in their respective wards, shall give in their votes by ballot for mayor, and in each ward, for members of the board of aidermen, or such of them as are to be elected, members of the superintending school committee, or such of them as are to be elected, members of the board of overseers of the poor, or such of them as are to be elected, a warden and clerk and two constables for such ward. The person receiving the highest number of votes for any of said offices shall be deemed and declared to be elected to such office, and whenever two or more

—meetings for election of city officers, shall be adjourned when election is not completed on first day.

—mayor shall be notified of election.

—in case of no election, warrants shall be issued for another election.

—if second election fails, aldermen shall elect.

—vacancies, how filled.

Ward meetings, how called.

Municipal election shall be held annually on second Monday in Dec.

—municipal year.

Election of city and ward officers.

—persons receiving highest number of votes, shall be declared elected.

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—officers shall be residents of wards electing them.

—officers shall be held to discharge of duties, notwithstanding removal into any other wards.

General meetings of voters may be held.

—how called.

Election of mayor and tenure.

—election of aldermen and tenure.

—election of warden, etc., and officers and tenure.

—vacancies in board of aldermen, how filled.

persons are to be elected to the same office, the several persons up to the number required to be chosen, receiving the highest number of votes, shall be deemed and declared to be elected. Members of the board of aldermen, members of the board of overseers of the poor, members of the superintending school committee, the warden, ward clerk, and constables, shall, when elected, be residents of the wards electing them. All city and ward officers shall be held to discharge the duties of the offices to which they have been respectively elected, notwithstanding their removal after their election out of their respective wards into any other wards in the city; but they shall not be so held after they have taken up their permanent residence out of the city.

Sect. 9. General meetings of the citizens qualified to vote in city affairs, may from time to time be held to consult upon the public good, to instruct their representatives, and to take all lawful measures to obtain redress of any grievances, according to the right secured to the people by the constitution; and such meeting shall be called by the mayor and aldermen upon requisition of sixty qualified voters. The city clerk shall act as clerk of such meetings, and record the proceedings upon the city records.

Sect. 10. The qualified voters of said city shall, at the first annual election held under this act, give in their votes in their respective wards for one able and discreet person, being an inhabitant of the city, to be mayor for the term of one year from the first Monday in January following his election, and until his successor is chosen and qualified. At said first municipal election held under this act, three members of the board of aldermen from each ward shall be elected by and from the voters of each ward, one to serve for the term of one year, and one to serve for the term of two years, and one to serve for the term of three years, beginning with the first Monday in January next ensuing, and thereafter one member of the board of aldermen from each ward shall be elected by and from the voters of each ward, at each annual municipal election to serve for the term of three years, beginning with the first Monday in January next ensuing. The qualified voters of each ward shall also elect at each annual election a warden, ward clerk and two constables, all to serve for the term of one year, beginning with the Monday following their election and until their successors are elected. Vacancies for an unexpired term in the board of aldermen may

be filled at any election in the same manner that new members are elected.

Sect. 11. The board of overseers of the poor of the city of Portland shall consist of seven persons. At the first annual election under this act a member of said board shall be elected in each ward, who shall be a resident of the ward in which he is elected; those elected in wards one, two, five and six, to serve for the term of two years, and those elected in wards three, four and seven, to serve for the term of one year beginning with the first Monday of January following their election, and until their successors are elected and qualified; and thereafter at each annual election such a number of overseers shall be elected to serve for the term of two years, beginning with the Monday following their election, as shall be necessary to fill the places of those whose term of office shall expire in that year. In case of a vacancy in said board of overseers of the poor, the board of aldermen shall elect by ballot, some person, resident in the ward in which the vacancy occurred, to hold office until the next annual election, when the unexpired term, if any, shall be filled in the manner provided in this section for the election of new members.

Board of overseers of the poor, election, qualification and tenure of.

Sect. 12. The school committee of the city of Portland shall consist of the mayor of said city, who shall be, ex-officio, chairman of the committee, and of seven other persons, one of whom shall be elected in each of the wards of said city at the annual election for municipal officers by the qualified voters of each ward, and such person shall be a resident of the ward in which he is elected. At the annual election in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, a member of said committee shall be elected in ward one, ward three and ward five, and in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight in ward two, ward four, ward six and ward seven, and shall hold his office for the term of two years; and thereafter at each annual election such number of said committee shall be elected as shall be necessary to fill the places of those whose terms of office shall expire in that year. In case of a vacancy in said committee the board of aldermen shall elect by ballot some person, resident in the ward in which the vacancy occurred, to hold office until the next annual election, when the unexpired term, if any, shall be filled as provided by this act. The terms of office of the members of the school committee elected at the annual municipal election held in March, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, shall expire at ten

Mayor shall be chairman of school committee.

School committee, number, and election and qualification of.

—vacancies, how filled.

—terms of office of members.

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o'clock in the morning of the first Monday of January, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and those elected at the annual municipal election held in March, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, shall expire at ten o'clock in the morning of the first Monday of January, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine.

Mayor shall be chief executive officer of the city.

—duties.

—salary shall not be diminished or increased, during term of office.

—shall appoint certain city officers.

—city marshal.

Commissioner of public works and commissioner of cemeteries, subject to confirmation.

—examining board of police and fire department, subject to confirmation.

—tenure.

—shall appoint board trustees of Evergreen cemetery, Back cove and Fore river commissioners.

Sect. 13. The mayor shall be the chief executive officer of the corporation of the city of Portland; shall be vigilant and active at all times in causing the laws for the government of the city to be duly executed and put in force; shall from time to time communicate to the board of aldermen such information and recommend such measures as the interests of the city may require; shall preside at all meetings of the board of aldermen, but shall have a casting vote only; shall be compensated for his services by a salary to be fixed by the board of aldermen, payable at stated periods and shall receive therefor no other compensation, which salary, however, shall not be increased or diminished during his term of office; shall appoint the following named officers for the terms hereinafter specified, beginning with the first day of February in the year of appointment and until their successors are appointed or confirmed, where confirmation is required. A city marshal for the term of one year, without confirmation by the board of aldermen; a commissioner of public works and a commissioner of cemeteries and public grounds for the term of three years each, subject to confirmation by the board of aldermen; a police and fire department examining board to consist of three members who shall exercise the powers conferred upon the police examining board of the city of Portland by an act entitled, "An Act regulating the appointment of members of the police force of the city of Portland," approved March four, eighteen hundred and eighty-five, and acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof, and whose appointment, subject to confirmation by the board of aldermen, shall be as follows: On the first day of February following the adoption of this charter the mayor shall appoint one member of said board for three years, one for two years, and one for one year, and thereafter annually, before the first day of February, one person to serve for three years, each to hold office until another is appointed in his stead. If for any reason any of the appointments provided for in this section are not made at the dates herein specified, the same shall be made as soon as may be thereafter. The mayor shall appoint, according to law, a board of trustees of Evergreen cemetery and a board of Back cove and

Fore river commissioners and a board of water commissioners, all of whom shall exercise the powers legally conferred upon said boards. The mayor shall appoint, with the consent of the board of aldermen, all other officers required for the government of said city for whose appointment no other method is provided by city ordinance or the laws of the state, and not provided for by this act; and shall appoint in the same manner in which the original appointment is made, an officer to fill any vacancy occurring in any of the aforesaid offices to serve for the remainder of an unexpired term. All officers appointed by the mayor shall be citizens of Portland.

—with consent of alderment, appoint all other officers required.

Sect. 14. No contract made by any department, commission or board, or authorized by any order, ordinance or resolution of the board of aldermen in the construction of a new, or in the structural change of any building, or in any matter in which the amount involved exceeds five hundred dollars, shall be in force unless, and until, approved by the mayor.

Contracts by any department, shall be approved by mayor.

Sect. 15. The mayor may remove, subject to the approval of the aldermen, any officer, commissioner, or member of a board, appointed by the mayor as aforesaid, for such cause as he shall deem sufficient, and shall assign in writing in his order for removal; and said order for removal shall be filed with the city clerk and be open to public inspection.

Power to remove any officer.

Sect. 16. The mayor, the aldermen, and the aldermen elect shall, on the first Monday of January, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, meet in convention, when the oath or affirmation required by the second section of this act shall be administered to the mayor and the aldermen elect, by the city clerk or any justice of the peace. The board of aldermen shall, by ordinance, determine the time of holding stated or regular meetings of the board, and shall also, in like manner, determine the manner of calling special meetings, and the person by whom they shall be called; but until otherwise provided by ordinance, special meetings shall be called by the mayor by causing a notification to be left at the usual residence, or place of business, of each member of the board. A majority of all the members of the board of aldermen shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a less number may meet and adjourn from time to time.

Meeting of mayor and aldermen in convention.

—city clerk shall administer oaths.

—time of regular holding meetings.

—special meetings, how called.

—quorum.

Sect. 17. After the qualification of the members of the board of mayor and aldermen newly elected, said board, the mayor presiding, shall proceed to choose a permanent chairman for the

Permanent chairman, how chosen and duties.

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ensuing municipal year who, in the absence of the mayor, shall preside at all meetings of the board, and in case of any vacancy in the office of mayor, he shall exercise all the powers and perform all the duties of the office so long as such a vacancy shall remain; he shall continue to have a vote in the board, but shall not have the veto power. The board of aldermen, in the absence of the mayor and permanent chairman, shall choose a president pro tempore, who shall exercise the powers of a permanent chairman.

—president,  
pro tempore.

Every ordinance, etc., shall be presented to mayor.

Sect. 18. Every ordinance, order, resolution, or vote passed by the board of aldermen, except in case of election of officers by the board of aldermen in which he shall have a casting vote only, and excepting rules and orders of a parliamentary character, shall be presented to the mayor, and if he approve, he shall sign it; if not, he shall return it with his objections to the board of aldermen which shall enter the objections at large upon its records and proceed to reconsider it. If after such reconsideration, two-thirds of the board shall agree to pass it, it shall have the same effect as if signed by the mayor. If the ordinance, order, resolution, or vote shall not be returned by the mayor at the next stated meeting of the board, it shall have the same effect as if he had signed it.

—power to veto.

Mayor may approve in part, appropriations of money.

Sect. 19. If any ordinance, order, resolution, or vote passed by the board involving the raising, appropriation, or expenditure of money is presented to the mayor, if he approves of a part and does not approve of a part of the sums or items thereof, he shall so indicate thereon and thereupon the sums and items so approved shall be in force, from the date of said approval, and he shall return the same with his objections to the sums or items not approved by him to the board, at the next stated meeting, which shall enter the objections at large upon its records and proceed to reconsider the sums or items not approved. If after such reconsideration, two-thirds of the board shall agree to pass the sums or items not approved, or any of them, said sums and items shall be in force as if he had approved. If the mayor shall disapprove a part of the sums or items of any such bill and shall fail to approve or disapprove a part, on or before the next stated meeting, the sums which he fails to approve or disapprove shall be in force as if he had approved.

—shall return items not approved, with objections to board of aldermen.

—proceedings of aldermen.

May on public occasions, forbid

Sect. 20. The mayor may, on public occasions, by his order, forbid the passing, temporarily, of horses, carriages, or other



vehicles, over or through such streets or ways in said city as he may deem expedient.

Sect. 21. The board of aldermen shall have and exercise all the powers now vested in the city of Portland, or the inhabitants thereof as a municipal corporation, or in the city council of the city of Portland, or either branch thereof, except as modified by this act; shall be the judge of the election and qualification of its members; may establish, subject to the provisions of this act, by ordinance such departments in charge of such officers to be appointed by the mayor and aldermen as may be necessary or desirable for the proper government and administration of the affairs of said city; shall have the power of confirmation or rejection of all officers appointed by the mayor, except in cases where by this act authority to appoint without confirmation has been given to the mayor; shall annually, in the month of January, elect by ballot the city clerk, city treasurer, city auditor, city messenger, and such other officers as are required to be elected by the ordinances of said city or by the laws of the state not inconsistent with the provisions of this act, also a board of three assessors, one for one year, one for two years, and one for three years, and thereafter one to be elected each year for the term of three years, an assistant assessor for each ward, to serve for the term of one year from the first day of February then next ensuing and until their successors are elected and qualified, who shall perform their duties as directed by the board of assessors. Vacancies may be filled for any unexpired term.

Sect. 22. The board of aldermen, in behalf of the city, may offer rewards for the prevention of crimes or detection of criminals. They may remove all sunken wrecks in the harbor or its entrances, and dispose of the same to defray the expense of removal, and may at the expense of the city, cause its harbor to be kept open and unobstructed by ice. They may also require all sail boats not under register or license, kept for hire in said harbor, to be examined and licensed for that purpose, and to be furnished with air tight compartments; and may establish such regulations respecting such boats as they may deem expedient. They may also make and enforce by penalties, regulations respecting the enclosure of lots abutting on any street or way in the city, which may for want of such enclosure be dangerous to the public; and after notice to the owners or lessees of such lots, may, if the same are not enclosed in a reasonable time, cause the same to be enclosed at the expense of the owners or lessees.

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—appropriate money for celebrations.

Aldermen shall serve without compensation.

—money shall be expended only for which appropriated.

Accounts, how audited.

Money shall be paid on orders drawn by mayor.

—bonds required from all persons, intrusted with custody of public moneys.

—aldermen shall have care of all city property.

—shall publish annually, account of receipts and expenditures.

Mayor and aldermen shall have power in all hearings, to send for persons and papers, and compel attendance of witnesses.

They may appropriate money for celebration of the anniversary of our national independence and other public celebrations.

Sect. 23. The aldermen shall not be entitled to receive any salary or other compensation during the term for which they are elected, nor be eligible to any office of profit or emolument, during said term, the salary of which is payable by the city; and all departments, boards, officers, and committees, acting under the authority of the city, and entrusted with the expenditures of public money, shall expend the same for no other purpose than that for which it is appropriated, and shall be accountable therefor to the city, in such manner as the board of aldermen may direct.

Sect. 24. All bills, accounts and vouchers of all departments, commissions and boards charged with the expenditure of money appropriated by the board of aldermen, including all bills, accounts, and vouchers of the school committee and overseers of the poor, shall be audited and examined in such manner as the board of aldermen shall by ordinance determine.

Sect. 25. No money shall be paid out of the city treasury except on orders drawn and signed by the mayor, designating the fund or appropriation from which said orders are to be paid, nor unless the same shall be first granted or appropriated therefor, by the board of aldermen; and the board of aldermen shall secure a prompt and just accountability by requiring bonds with sufficient penalty and surety or sureties, from all persons entrusted with the receipt, custody, or disbursement of money; they shall have the care and superintendence of the city buildings and the custody and management of all city property, with the power to let or sell what may be legally let or sold, and to purchase and take in the name of the city, real and personal property for municipal purposes to an amount not exceeding two hundred thousand dollars in addition to that now held by the city. And shall as often as once a year cause to be published for the information of the inhabitants, a particular account of receipts and expenditures, and a schedule of the city property.

Sect. 26. The mayor and aldermen of the city of Portland and any committee thereof, when authorized by the board of aldermen, shall have power to send for persons and papers, and compel the attendance of witnesses at any meeting of said board of mayor and aldermen, or of any said committee, at which a hearing is had in any matter of inquiry regarding alleged dereliction of duty of any city officer or any person in the

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employ of said city, or in any hearing on any municipal matter. The mayor and the chairman of any committee, when authorized by the board of aldermen, shall have power to issue summons to such witnesses as shall be required in such hearings. Any person failing to comply with summons of the mayor or of said chairman shall be punished by a fine not less than five dollars nor more than fifty dollars, or by imprisonment not more than thirty days. The municipal court of the city of Portland shall have jurisdiction of such offenses.

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Sect. 27. The city clerk shall be clerk of the board of aldermen. He shall perform such duties as shall be prescribed by the mayor and aldermen and shall also perform all the duties and exercise all the powers now incumbent on him by law. He shall give notice in two or more of the papers printed in said city, of the time and place of ward meetings; the time of such meetings when not fixed by law, shall be determined by the mayor and board of aldermen. In case of the temporary absence of the city clerk, the mayor with the consent of the board of aldermen may appoint a city clerk pro tempore.

Duties of  
city clerk.

Clerk pro  
tem.

Sect. 28. The board of aldermen shall establish by ordinance a police department, consisting of a city marshal, two deputy marshals, and of such subordinate officers and other members of the police force as it may prescribe. The power of appointment of said city marshal, deputy marshals, subordinate officers and members of the police force shall be vested in the mayor exclusively, subject to the provisions of an act entitled "An Act regulating the appointment of the members of the police force of the city of Portland," approved March four, eighteen hundred and eighty-five, and acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof, except so far as the same may be modified by this act. The mayor shall have power to order at any time a re-examination of any officer or member of the police department, and to suspend and to remove, subject to the approval of the aldermen, all officers and members of the police department, except the city marshal, whom he may remove at pleasure, for such cause as he shall deem sufficient, and shall assign in writing in his order for removal. The deputy marshals and all members of the permanent police force, except the city marshal, shall hold office during good behavior, subject, however, to removal in the manner above provided. The deputy marshals shall be appointed by promotion from members of the permanent police force.

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Sect. 29. Annually at the organization of the board of aldermen or as soon thereafter as may be, the mayor shall appoint three aldermen, all of whom shall not be of the same political party if more than one party is represented in said board, who shall with the mayor, ex-officio, who shall be chairman of said committee constitute a committee to be called committee on fire department. Said committee shall have charge of the fire department of the city under such rules and regulations as the board of aldermen may by ordinance determine. All present officers and members of the fire department shall continue to hold office for the full terms for which they were elected or appointed, unless sooner removed as herein provided, and all future appointments of members of the fire department, the number of whom shall be determined by the board of aldermen, except as herein otherwise provided, shall be made by the mayor from persons certified to him by the police examining board, which shall hereafter be known as the police and fire department examining board, in the same manner that persons are certified to the mayor for appointment to the police force of the city of Portland under the provisions of the act aforesaid entitled, "An Act regulating the appointment of members of the police force of the city of Portland," approved March four, eighteen hundred and eighty-five, and acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof. All officers and members of the fire department appointed by the mayor under this act shall hold the office to which they were appointed until removed by the mayor subject to the approval of the aldermen, for such cause as he shall deem sufficient, and assign in writing in his order for removal, which order shall be filed with the city clerk for public inspection.

Sect. 30. The committee on fire department shall have sole charge of a department to be known as the fire department, and shall purchase and keep in repair all apparatus used therefor, including the fire alarm telegraph and telephone system. The mayor shall appoint, subject to the approval of the aldermen, a chief engineer, and not exceeding four assistant engineers and a city electrician, who shall be the superintendent of the fire alarm telegraph and telephone system, without their being certified by the police and fire department examining board, and shall appoint all other firemen when certified as provided in the preceding section; shall perform such other duties and have such other powers not inconsistent herewith as the board of aldermen may prescribe.

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Sect. 31. Said chief engineer shall direct the work of the members of the fire department in case of fire, act as the executive officer of said committee on fire department, and have authority, in case of fire, to establish fire limits in the neighborhood of the building or buildings in which a fire may have occurred, and to prevent persons not authorized by him from coming within said limits.

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Sect. 32. The board of aldermen shall annually appropriate such sums of money as it may deem necessary and sufficient to carry on the work of said committee. Such appropriation shall be drawn from the city treasury in such manner as the board of aldermen may by ordinance direct.

Appropriations for  
committee.

Sect. 33. The commissioner of public works shall perform the duties and have the powers prescribed in an act entitled "An Act to establish a commission of public works in the city of Portland," approved March eight, eighteen hundred and ninety-five.

Duties of  
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works.

Sect. 34. The commissioners of cemeteries and public grounds shall have the power and perform the duties now vested in the commissioners of cemeteries and public grounds by an act entitled "An Act to authorize the city of Portland to appoint commissioners of cemeteries and public grounds," approved March five, eighteen hundred and eighty-five.

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Sect. 35. The treasurer of the city of Portland shall also be the collector for said city with all the powers of collectors of taxes under the laws of this state. He shall be styled treasurer and collector and shall give but one bond, said bond to be approved by the mayor and aldermen, for the faithful performance of his duties; and may appoint assistants and deputies as provided by law. All warrants directed to him by the assessors and municipal officers shall run to him and his successors in office, and shall be in the form prescribed by law, changing such parts only as by this act are required to be changed. The method of keeping, vouching and settling his accounts, shall be subject to such rules and regulations as the board of aldermen may establish. Said treasurer and collector shall collect all uncollected taxes and assessments in whatever year assessed and at the expiration of said term his powers as collector shall wholly cease; all sales, distresses, and all other acts and proceedings, lawfully commenced by him as such treasurer and collector, may be as effectually continued and completed by his successor in office as though done by himself; and all unreturned war-

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rants, which would otherwise be returnable to him, shall be returned to his successor in office. These provisions shall apply in all respects to all uncollected taxes of said city.

Sect. 36. The board of aldermen shall have authority to lay out, widen or otherwise alter, or discontinue any and all streets or public ways in the city of Portland, without petition therefor, and as far as extreme low water mark; and to estimate all damages sustained by the owners of land taken for that purpose; but all locations below high water mark shall be subject to the provisions of the laws relating to the commissioners of Portland harbor. A standing committee of the board of aldermen shall be appointed, whose duty it shall be to lay out, alter, widen or discontinue any street or way in said city, first giving notice of the time and place of their proceedings to all parties interested, by an advertisement in two daily papers printed in Portland, for one week at least previous to the time appointed. The committee shall first hear all parties interested, and then determine and adjudge whether the public convenience requires such street or way to be laid out, altered or discontinued; and shall make a written return of their proceedings, signed by a majority of them, containing the bounds and descriptions of the street or way, if laid out or altered, and the names of the owners of the land taken, when known, and the damages allowed therefor; the return shall be filed in the city clerk's office at least seven days previous to its acceptance by the city council. The street or way shall not be altered or established until the report is accepted by the board of aldermen, and the report shall not be altered or amended before its acceptance. A street or way shall not be discontinued by the board of aldermen except upon the report of said committee. The committee shall estimate and report the damages sustained by the owners of the lands adjoining that portion of the street or way which is so discontinued; their report shall be filed with the city clerk seven days at least before its acceptance. Any person aggrieved by the decision or judgment of the board of aldermen in establishing, altering, or discontinuing streets, may, so far as relates to damages, appeal therefrom to the supreme judicial court which court shall determine the same by a committee or reference under a rule of court, if the parties agree, or by a verdict of its jury, and shall render judgment, and issue execution for the damages recovered, with costs to the party prevailing in the appeal. Such appeal shall be made to the term of the supreme judicial court

which shall first be holden in the county of Cumberland, more than thirty days from and after the day the street is finally established, altered or discontinued, excluding the day of commencement of the session of said court. The appellants shall serve written notice of such appeal upon the mayor or city clerk, fourteen days at least before the session of the court, and shall at the first term file a complaint setting forth substantially the facts of the case. On the trial, exceptions may be taken to the rulings of the court as in other cases. Co-tenants who are appellants, shall join in their appeal or shall not recover their costs. If a street or way is discontinued before the damages are paid or recovered for the land taken, the land owner shall not be entitled to recover such damages, but the committee in their report discontinuing the same shall estimate and include all the damages sustained by the land owner, including those caused by the original location of the streets, subject to an appeal as aforesaid, and in such cases, if an appeal has been regularly taken, the appellant in the original appeal shall recover his costs. The city shall not be compelled to construct or open any street or way thus hereafter established, until in the opinion of the board of aldermen the public good requires it to be done; nor shall the city interfere with the possession of the land so taken by removing therefrom materials, or otherwise, until they decide to open and construct said street.

Sect. 37. The board of aldermen may regulate the height and width of sidewalks in any public square, places, streets, lanes, or alleys in said city; and may authorize posts and trees to be placed along the edge of said sidewalks. The city shall not be answerable for damages occasioned by telegraph poles and wires erected in its streets. No person or corporation shall dig, tear up, or excavate any portion of the surface of any street or sidewalk in said city unless authorized therefor, in writing, by the board of aldermen, or by some person by them authorized for that purpose and subject to such conditions as they may impose. All powers heretofore conferred by any prior act of legislature contrary to this section are hereby repealed. The board of aldermen or some person by them authorized may on such terms and conditions as they may think proper, authorize and empower any person or corporation to place in any street, for such time as may be necessary, any materials for making or repairing any street, sidewalk, crosswalk, bridge, watercourse, or drain, or for erecting, repairing, or finishing any building or

—notice shall be served upon the mayor or clerk.

—land owner shall not be entitled to damages, if way is discontinued before damages are paid.

—committee shall estimate such damage.

—streets shall not be opened till public requires it.

Aldermen may regulate height and width of sidewalks.

—city not liable for damages caused by erection of poles and wires.

—aldermen may empower persons to place materials in any street for making or repairing same or laying water and gas pipes, etc.

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fences, or for laying or repairing gas or water pipes, provided that not more than one-half of the width of the street shall be so occupied. And such materials so placed by virtue of any license obtained as aforesaid, shall not be considered an incumbrance or nuisance in such street; and the city shall not be liable to any person for any damages occasioned by such materials.

Sect. 38. The existing laws of the state relating to drains and sewers and sidewalks including those in the charter existing before the adoption of this act shall continue in force.

Sect. 39. The city of Portland may ordain reasonable by-laws and regulations for the government of Evergreen cemetery, and shall have full power and authority to impose and enforce penalties for the breach thereof, and for the punishment of offenses committed in said cemetery. All by-laws and regulations heretofore ordained by said city of Portland for the government of Evergreen cemetery are, and shall be, valid and in force; and all penalties imposed under the same, and for the breach of the same, and for punishment of offenses committed in said cemetery, shall be enforced.

Sect. 40. All acts and parts of acts, inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed. Provided, however, the repeal of the said acts shall not affect any act done, or any act accruing, or accrued, or established, or any suit or proceeding had or commenced in any civil or criminal case before the time when such repeal shall take effect, and that no offense committed, and no penalty or forfeiture incurred, under the acts hereby repealed, and before the time when such repeal shall take effect, shall be affected by the repeal. And provided, also, that all persons who, at the time the said repeal shall take effect, shall hold any office under the said acts or ordinances of the city shall continue to hold the same until others are elected and qualified in their stead as provided in this act. And provided, also, that all acts of legislature relating to the city of Portland and the ordinances, rules and regulations of the city of Portland, which shall be in force at the time when the said repeal shall take effect, and not inconsistent with this act, shall continue in force until the same are repealed. No act which has been heretofore repealed shall be revived by the repeal of the above acts.

Sect. 41. This act shall be void unless the inhabitants of the city of Portland, at legal ward meetings called for that purpose, by a written vote, determine to adopt the same; and the qualified voters of the city shall be called upon to give in their votes



upon the acceptance of this act, at meetings in the several wards, duly called by the mayor and aldermen, to be held on the date fixed by them, those favoring the adoption thereof voting 'yes,' and those opposed voting 'no;' and thereupon the same proceedings shall be had respecting the sorting, counting, declaring, and recording the returns of said votes as is herein provided at the election of mayor; and the board of mayor and aldermen shall within three days meet together and compare the returns of the ward officers; and if it appear that a majority of all the votes given on the question of its acceptance are in favor thereof, the mayor shall forthwith make proclamation of the fact, and thereupon this act shall take effect. And in case this act is so adopted and takes effect, the terms of office of all city officers shall expire on the appointment or election and qualification of their successors as provided in this act.

—method of voting.

—proceedings in counting and recording votes.

—if majority are in favor of acceptance, mayor shall make proclamation of fact.

—when terms of city officers shall expire.

Section 41, shall take effect upon approval of this act.

Sect. 42. Section forty-one of this act shall take effect upon approval by the governor.

Approved March 17, 1897.

## Chapter 451.

An Act to amend Section four of Chapter three hundred and eight of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, as amended by Section one, Chapter two hundred and thirty-two of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Thorn Brook Dam Company."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section four of chapter three hundred and eight of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, as amended by section one, chapter two hundred and thirty-two of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, is hereby amended as follows: By striking out that part which commences at the end of the third line with the word "fifty" and continuing to the word "cents" in the seventh line, and inserting the following: 'Seventy-five cents for each thousand feet board measure, woods scale, for all logs and lumber put into said Thorn brook, and twenty-five,' and further by striking out all of said section after the word "manufacture" in the fifteenth line, and inserting the following: 'Said lien may be enforced in the manner provided in sections thirty-eight

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CHAP. 451 and thirty-nine of chapter ninety-one of the revised statutes for enforcing liens on logs and lumber. The toll on all logs and lumber put into said Thorn brook and manufactured at the E. A. Flanders' mill in Kingsbury, in said county, shall be fifty cents for each thousand feet board measure, woods scale,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Right to  
collect tolls.

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'Sect. 4. The said corporation may demand and receive a toll upon all logs and lumber which may pass through or over said dams and improvements of said corporation, of seventy-five cents for each thousand feet board measure, woods scale, for all logs and lumber put into said Thorn brook, and twenty-five cents for each thousand feet put into the south branch of the Piscataquis river, and said corporation shall have a lien upon all logs and lumber which may pass through or over any of its said dams and improvements for the payment of said tolls, but the logs of each particular mark shall be holden only for the tolls of such mark, and if such toll is not paid within twenty days after such logs, or a major part of them, shall arrive at the Penobscot boom, or place of manufacture, said lien may be enforced in the manner provided in sections thirty-eight and thirty-nine of chapter ninety-one of the revised statutes for enforcing liens on logs and lumber. The toll on all logs and lumber put into said Thorn brook and manufactured at the E. A. Flanders' mill in Kingsbury, in said county, shall be fifty cents for each thousand feet board measure, woods scale.'

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 17, 1897.

### Chapter 452.

An Act to amend Chapter two hundred and twenty-nine of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and forty-nine, entitled "An Act incorporating the trustees of the fund for the support of the episcopate of the Protestant Episcopal church in the diocese of Maine," as amended by Chapter three hundred and eleven of the laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-four, as amended by Chapter two hundred and fourteen of the laws of eighteen hundred and eighty, and as amended by Chapter one hundred and six of the laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Chapter two hundred and twenty-nine of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and forty-nine, as amended by chapter three hundred and eleven of the laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-four, as amended by chapter two hundred and fourteen of the laws of eighteen hundred and eighty, and as amended by chapter one hundred and six of the laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, is hereby further amended so as to read as follows:

Charter  
amended.

'Sect. 1. The trustees of the diocesan funds in the diocese of Maine shall have power to take and hold real and personal estate contributed for parochial endowments or other church purposes, to the amount of two hundred thousand dollars and to manage and dispose of the same in accordance with the terms of the several gifts, grants or endowments and said trustees shall keep an account with each endowment or gift comprising said fund, and report their doings in managing the same and the condition thereof, to the convention of the diocese annually.'

May hold  
real estate  
to the  
amount of  
\$200,000.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 17, 1897.

### Chapter 453.

An Act to extend the charter of the Kennebec and Franklin Railway.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

The time within which the Kennebec and Franklin Railway, a corporation created by chapter seventy of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, may file its locations and commence operations for building its lines, is hereby extended to December thirty-one eighteen hundred and ninety-nine.

Charter  
extended.

Approved March 17, 1897.

CHAP. 454**Chapter 454.**

An Act to extend the charter of the Lewiston, Augusta and Camden Railroad Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Charter ex-  
tended.

The time within which the Lewiston, Augusta and Camden Railroad Company, a corporation created by chapter two hundred and seventy-eight of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, as amended by chapter six hundred and twenty-six of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, and chapter two hundred and fifty-two of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, may file its locations and commence operations for building its lines, is hereby extended to July one, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine.

Approved March 17, 1897.

**Chapter 455.**

An Act to permit the Good Will Home Association to increase its capital and to enlarge its purpose to include aid for Needy Girls.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Associa-  
tion au-  
thorized to  
hold real es-  
tate.

Sect. 1. The Good Will Home Association, a charitable corporation formed under the provisions of chapter fifty-five of the revised statutes, for the purpose of aiding needy boys, and located at East Fairfield in Somerset county, is hereby authorized to take and hold by purchase, gift, devise, or bequest, personal or real estate, in all not exceeding five hundred thousand dollars owned at any one time.

May fur-  
nish aid to  
needy girls.

Sect. 2. By a unanimous vote of all its members present at any annual meeting, notice of the proposed action having been given by some member in the Good Will Record, at least one month prior thereto, that the same would be presented at such meeting, the objects and purposes of said corporation may be enlarged to include the furnishing of aid to needy girls.

Approved March 17, 1897.

### Chapter 456.

An Act to amend and extend the charter of the Ellsworth Street Railway Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section one of chapter three hundred and ninety-one of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Ellsworth Street Railway Company," is hereby amended by inserting after the word "power," in the fifth line of said section, the words 'or by compressed air.'

Charter amended.

Sect. 2. The rights, powers and privileges of said Ellsworth Street Railway Company, which were granted by chapter three hundred and ninety-one of the private and special laws for the year eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, as extended and enlarged by chapter five hundred fifteen of the private and special laws for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-three, chapter eighty-one of the private and special laws for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-five, and by section one of this act, are hereby extended for two years additional; and the persons named in said acts, their associates and successors, shall have all the rights, powers and privileges that were granted them by said acts, or that are herein granted, to be exercised for the same purposes as specified in said acts.

Rights extended for two years.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 17, 1897.

### Chapter 457.

An Act granting additional powers to the Long Pond Water Company, incorporated under Chapter five hundred and twenty-four of the Private and Special Laws of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-five.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The Long Pond Water Company, incorporated under the provisions of chapter five hundred and twenty-four of the private and special laws of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-five, is hereby authorized and empowered to locate, lay, construct and maintain its sluices, aqueducts and pipes under, across and through the tide waters of Bass cove, an

Company authorized to lay pipes under tide waters.

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—shall not  
obstruct  
naviga-  
tion.

arm of Flanders' bay in the town of Sullivan, Hancock county, Maine, within the limits of the location of said company, provided, however, that said company shall not thereby unnecessarily obstruct navigation.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 17, 1897.

### Chapter 458.

An Act to incorporate the Northern Development Company.

*Be 'it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Corpora-  
tors.

—corporate  
name.

—purposes,  
powers and  
privileges.

Sect. 1. Joseph P. Bass, Frederick H. Appleton, Henry A. Appleton, Henry M. Prentiss, Samuel R. Prentiss, James Rice, Millard E. Mudgett, Clarence S. Lunt, Charles W. Mullen and James B. Mullen, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby incorporated under the name of the Northern Development Company, for the purpose of doing a general manufacturing, illuminating, heating and power business in Indian townships numbers one and two, in Penobscot county, known as Indian Purchase, also for the purpose of creating, leasing and selling electricity and other power, for manufacturing and other purposes within said townships, also for the purpose of supplying the inhabitants of any city, town or village corporation that now or may hereafter exist within said townships, with water, lights and heat, for all domestic, sanitary and municipal purposes, including the extinguishment of fires, and also for the purpose of transmitting to points outside of said townships electricity generated within said townships, to be leased or sold for manufacturing, illuminating, heating and power purposes, with all the rights and privileges, and subject to all the liabilities and obligations of similar corporations. And said company is further authorized and empowered to purchase or otherwise obtain, and to sell or lease real estate, to manufacture, buy, or otherwise obtain, and to sell or lease personal property necessary for the prosecution of the purposes of the company, and generally to do all things necessary for, or incident to said purposes, including the carrying on of mercantile business in connection with any of the purposes of the company; and also to take, hold, and own, by purchase or otherwise, the stock, bonds,

scrip, or other obligations of other similar corporations, and of disposing of the same in any lawful manner.

Sect. 2. Said company is authorized to locate, construct and maintain dams, on the west branch of the Penobscot river, in Indian township number three, in Penobscot county, between North Twin dam, so called, as now located, and the easterly line of said township number three; provided that suitable sluices are constructed and maintained by said company in said dams, at its own expense, for the passage of logs and other lumber running down said river.

May maintain dams.

—shall provide suitable sluices.

Sect. 3. Said company is further authorized to cut, construct and maintain canals and other water ways from said dams, to any point in said township, for the purpose of fully developing the water power on said river, and for the purpose of constructing said dams, canals and other water ways, it may take, occupy and inclose any lands adjoining the same which may be necessary for building or repairing the same, and for other necessary purposes, on each side thereof, and may blow up and remove any rocks in said river, and may dig up and remove any land in said river when necessary.

May cut and maintain canals.

—take lands.

Sect. 4. Said company is further authorized to lay, erect, construct and maintain, in, under, through, along, across, and upon any highways, ways, streets and bridges, other than railroad bridges, that now or may hereafter exist, pipes, hydrants, poles, wires, and other structures necessary for the purposes of its incorporation, and to replace and repair the same when necessary; to enter upon and excavate any highway or other way within said townships, in such manner as least to obstruct the same; and within said townships to enter, pass over, and excavate any land; to take and hold, by purchase or otherwise, rights of way, or of water; and in general, to do any acts necessary, convenient or proper, for carrying out any of the purposes of this act. Nothing in this act shall be construed as giving said Northern Development Company the right or power to flow in any way the right of way or depot grounds of the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company or to take in any way any part of such right of way or such depot grounds under the power of eminent domain given in this act. Said Northern Development Company shall not have the power to pass along the right of way or any bridge of said railroad company with any wires, pipes, aqueducts or other structures mentioned in this act, but said Northern Development Com-

Authorized to lay pipes, etc., along highways.

—may take land and water.

—shall not infringe upon rights of Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company.

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—may cross  
said rail-  
road.

—manner  
shall be de-  
termined by  
commis-  
sioners,  
in case of  
disagree-  
ment.

May cross  
any private  
or public  
sewer.

—liable for  
damages.

Shall file  
plan of lo-  
cation of  
lands and  
water rights  
taken, in  
Penobscot  
registry of  
deeds.

Liability  
for all dam-  
ages.

pany may cross the right of way of said railroad company with wires, pipes, aqueducts or other structures mentioned in this act, and in any case of failure to agree with said railroad company as to place, manner and conditions of crossing its right of way with such wires, pipes, aqueducts or other structures, the place, manner and conditions of such crossings shall be determined by the railroad commissioners and all work within the limits of the railroad location or lands shall be done under the supervision and to the satisfaction of the officers and agents of said railroad company, but at the expense of said Northern Development Company.

Sect. 5. Said company shall have power within said townships to cross any water course, private or public sewer, or to change the direction thereof when necessary, but in such manner as not to obstruct or impair the use thereof. And said company shall be liable for any injury caused thereby. Whenever said company shall lay down or erect any structure in any highway, way or street, or make any alterations or repairs upon its works in any highway, way or street, it shall cause the same to be done at its own expense with as little obstruction to public travel as may be practicable.

Sect. 6. Said company shall file in the registry of deeds office in the county of Penobscot, plans of the location of all land and water rights taken under the provisions of this act, and no entry shall be made on any lands owned by other persons, except to make surveys, until the expiration of ten days from said filing, and with such plan the said company may file a statement of the damages it is willing to pay to any person for any property so taken, and if the amount finally awarded does not exceed that sum, the company shall recover costs against such person, otherwise, such person shall recover costs against the company.

Sect. 7. Said company shall be held liable to pay all damages that shall be sustained by any person or persons, by the taking of any lands, water, rights of way, and other property, or by excavating through any land for the purpose of surveying for locating, laying, building or erecting dams, canals, reservoirs, pipes, hydrants, poles, or other structures, by taking and holding any lands necessary for flowage, and for any other injuries resulting from said acts. And if any person sustaining damage as aforesaid shall not agree with said company upon the sum to be paid therefor, either party on petition to the



county commissioners of Penobscot county, within twelve months after said plans are filed, may have said damage assessed by them, and subsequent proceedings and right of appeal thereon shall be had in the same manner and under the same conditions, restrictions and limitations, as are by law prescribed in the case of damages by the laying out of highways. Failure to apply for damages within said twelve months shall be held to be a waiver of the same.

—damages,  
how as-  
sessed, in  
case of dis-  
agreement.

Sect. 8. Said company is further authorized to make contracts with other corporations, and with the inhabitants of any city, town or village corporation, which now or hereafter may exist, within said townships, for the purpose of supplying water, light, heat or power, as contemplated by this act. And any other corporation, and the inhabitants of any city, town or village corporation, which now or may hereafter exist, within said townships, are authorized to enter into contracts with said company, for the supplying of water, light, heat or power for a term of years.

May con-  
tract to sup-  
ply water.

—towns  
may con-  
tract for  
water.

Sect. 9. The capital stock of said company shall not exceed one million dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each. And for the purpose of carrying out any of the provisions for which said company is incorporated, it is hereby authorized and empowered to issue its bonds in such form and amount and on such time and rates as it may deem expedient, not exceeding the amount of its capital stock, actually subscribed for, and to secure the same by mortgage of its property and franchises.

Capital  
stock.

—may issue  
bonds and  
mortgage  
property.

Sect. 10. The first meeting of said corporation shall be called at Bangor, in said county of Penobscot, by a notice signed by any two of the corporators named in section one, setting forth the time, place and purposes of the meeting. Such notice shall be delivered to each of the corporators named in this act, residing in the state of Maine at the time, and shall be printed in some newspaper published in said Bangor, at least seven days before the day appointed for said meeting.

First meet-  
ing, how  
called.

Sect. 11. This act shall take effect when approved.

CHAP. 459**Chapter 459.**

An Act to legalize the doings of School District Number Five in the town of Falmouth, and of the trustees of the Crispus Graves Fund, so called, and to enable said trustees to convey and the inhabitants of said Falmouth to purchase the school building, erected out of said fund, in said district.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Doings of  
school Dis-  
trict No. 5,  
in Fal-  
mouth.

—legalized.

That the acts and doings of the trustees of the fund given by the will of the late Crispus Graves, to school district number five, in the town of Falmouth, in the county of Cumberland, and known as the Crispus Graves fund, in the erection of a school building in said district, out of said fund, and the acts and doings of said school district in the erection of said school building are hereby legalized and made valid, and the said trustees and their successors are hereby authorized to sell and convey to the inhabitants of said town of Falmouth said school building, so erected as aforesaid, and the inhabitants of said town of Falmouth are hereby authorized to purchase said school building from said trustees or their successors.

Approved March 17, 1897.

**Chapter 460.**

An Act to extend, and additional to the charter of the Oakland Water Company

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Charter ex-  
tended for  
two years.

Sect. 1. That the rights, powers and privileges of the Oakland Water Company, which were granted by chapter four hundred and sixteen of the private and special laws of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, and as extended by chapter four hundred and twenty-one of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, and as further extended by chapter twenty-three of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, are hereby extended for two years additional, and the persons named in said acts, their associates and successors, shall have all the rights, powers and privileges which were granted them by said acts, to be exercised in the same manner and for the same purpose as specified in said acts.

Sect. 2. That the inhabitants of the town of Oakland are hereby empowered and authorized to purchase stock or bonds of said Oakland Water Company, provided, the inhabitants of said town in a town meeting, duly and legally called for that purpose, shall vote so to do. Said purchase of said stock or bonds may be made in compliance with any vote of the inhabitants of the town as aforesaid by the selectmen of the town, or by any other person duly and legally elected and authorized by the inhabitants of said town at any town meeting, duly and legally called for that purpose, to purchase in the name and behalf of the town said stock or bonds of said Oakland Water Company.

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Town may  
hold stock  
or bonds of  
company.

Sect. 3. Said inhabitants of the town of Oakland at any town meeting duly and legally called for that purpose, may vote to enter into a contract with said Oakland Water Company to purchase the entire property of said Oakland Water Company in any manner that shall be agreed upon at the expiration of any period of time after said water works shall be built and completed and water supplied for municipal, domestic and other purposes to the inhabitants of said Oakland in said Oakland village, not to exceed twenty years. And as a part of the consideration to be paid for the purchase of said property to said water company, the said inhabitants of Oakland may assume, guarantee or agree to pay at maturity, the principal and interest of any bonds that may or shall be issued by the said Oakland Water Company to aid in the construction of a system of water works in said Oakland to supply the people of Oakland village and vicinity with water for municipal, domestic and other purposes.

Town may  
contract to  
purchase  
works.

—may guar-  
antee  
bonds,  
as part of  
considera-  
tion.

Sect. 4. The town of Oakland in its corporate capacity may, at any time before the said company shall contract for a public supply of water with the said town, vote to assume and purchase the franchises and property of the said Oakland Water Company, for the amount of money actually expended by it, in obtaining its charter. Upon such vote and payment, the said company shall assign and transfer to the municipal corporation so purchasing, all rights and franchises hereby granted, and thereafterwards such municipal corporation shall exercise and enjoy the same as if granted to it directly.

Town may  
vote to take  
possession  
at any time  
before com-  
pany has  
contracted for  
supply of  
water, by  
payment of  
money ex-  
pended in  
obtaining  
charter.

Sect. 5. For the purposes of raising money to carry out the provisions of this act, the town of Oakland, by vote in a meeting duly called for this purpose, may issue bonds with

Town may  
issue bonds  
for pur-  
chase of  
works.

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Water com-  
missioners,  
election,  
powers and  
duties.

—tenure.

—selectmen  
shall act, till  
commis-  
sioners are  
elected.

—water  
rates, how  
fixed.

Section 4,  
chapter 416,  
laws, 1889,  
amended.

—manner of  
crossing any  
railroad,  
shall be de-  
termined by  
railroad com-  
missioners.

interest coupons, to an amount which, taken in connection with the other indebtedness of said town, shall not exceed the amount limited by the constitution of Maine. And such bonds shall be signed by the selectmen and treasurer of said town, and shall be designated and marked, the Oakland Water Loan.

Sect. 6. For the purposes of carrying into effect the provisions of this act, the town of Oakland, at a meeting duly called therefor, may as soon as this act takes effect, and shall as soon as the town comes into ownership, control or management of a system of water works, by building or otherwise, elect by ballot five water commissioners, whose duty it shall be to perform all such acts for the town, necessary and convenient for the full operation of this act, as directed by said town from time to time. The five persons first chosen as aforesaid shall serve, one for one year, one for two years, one for three years, one for four years and one for five years, from the second Monday of March then next following, as may be designated by the town when elected; and thereafterwards one commissioner shall be elected by ballot at the annual town meeting, to serve for the term of five years. Until such water commissioners are elected, the selectmen of said town shall perform the duties of water commissioners.

Sect. 7. Said board of water commissioners is authorized to fix the rates to be paid monthly, quarterly, semi-annually or annually for water, by persons supplied with the same, subject to the action of the town, and in the same manner determine the conditions and manner of such supply, and shall have general charge and control of the town's water system.

Sect. 8. Section four of said chapter four hundred and sixteen of the private and special laws of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, is hereby amended by striking out the word "railroad" in the third line thereof and adding thereto the following: 'And said corporation may carry and lay its pipes across any railroad, but in case of failure to agree with the railroad company as to place, manner and conditions of crossing the railroad with its pipes, the place, manner, and conditions of such crossing shall be determined by the railroad commissioners, and all work within the limits of the railroad location shall be done under the supervision and to the satisfaction of the officers and agents of the railroad company, but at the expense of said water company.'

Sect. 9. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 17, 1897.

**Chapter 461.**

An Act in relation to the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section six of chapter one hundred and sixty-three of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-six, as amended by chapter four hundred and five of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, is hereby amended by striking out all after the word "of" in the seventh line, and inserting in lieu thereof the words 'poor and neglected orphan children residing in this state,' so that said section shall read as follows:

Charter  
amended.

'Sect. 6. Upon the final execution of the purpose herein specified as the object of this incorporation, namely: the support and education of the orphans and half orphans of persons engaged in the service of the United States during the recent rebellion, said asylum shall continue the exercise of its corporate powers as an institution for the education and support of poor and neglected orphan children residing in this state.'

Institution  
may con-  
tinue to ex-  
ercise pow-  
ers, and  
support or-  
phan chil-  
dren of the  
state.

Approved March 17, 1897.

**Chapter 462.**

An Act to incorporate the Southport, Boothbay Harbor and Boothbay Telegraph and Telephone Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. A. P. Greenleaf, J. S. Maxcy and A. R. Savage, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby created a body politic, by the name of the Southport, Boothbay Harbor and Boothbay Telegraph and Telephone Company, with all the powers, rights and privileges, and subject to all the duties and obligations granted and prescribed by the general laws of this state, relating to corporations. Said corporation shall have the right to locate, construct, maintain and operate lines of telephone and telegraph between such points as it may determine in the towns of Southport, Boothbay Harbor and Boothbay and the islands therein.

Corpora-  
tors.

—corporate  
name.

—purposes.

## CHAP. 462

May main-  
tain lines  
upon any  
highway.

—may re-  
move ob-  
stacles.

—tolls.

Damages,  
how esti-  
mated, in  
case of dis-  
agreement.

May con-  
nect with  
other lines  
or sell or  
lease.

Capital  
stock.

First meet-  
ing, how  
called.

—officers  
and by-laws.

Sect. 2. Said company shall have the right, within the limits aforesaid, to locate, construct and maintain its lines upon and along any public way, railroad, bridge or private lands, and across tide waters, but in such manner as not to incommode or endanger the customary use of such way, road or bridge, with the right to cut down trees, remove obstacles when necessary, within the limits aforesaid, except ornamental, fruit or shade trees, and with the power to establish and collect tolls on said line.

Sect. 3. If the land of any individual or corporation is taken under this act and the parties cannot agree on the damages occasioned thereby, they shall be estimated, secured and paid in the manner provided in case of land taken for railroads.

Sect. 4. Said corporation is hereby authorized to connect its line or lines with those of any other company, or to sell or lease its line, either before or after completion, to any other telephone or telegraph company, upon such terms as may be mutually agreed upon, which sale or lease shall be binding upon the parties, or to purchase or lease any other line or lines of telegraph or telephone, upon such terms and conditions as may be mutually agreed upon.

Sect. 5. The amount of the capital stock shall be fixed by vote of the corporation, but not to exceed the amount that may from time to time be considered to be necessary for the purposes herein specified, but not exceeding ten thousand dollars, and said corporation may purchase, hold, sell and convey real estate and personal property necessary for the purposes contemplated in this charter.

Sect. 6. Any one of the corporators named in this act may call the first meeting of this company, by mailing a written notice to each of the other corporators, seven days at least before the day of meeting, naming the time, place and purposes of such meeting; and at such meeting a president, secretary, treasurer and directors may be chosen, by-laws adopted, and any corporate business transacted.

Sect. 7. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 17, 1897.

**Chapter 463.**

An Act relating to the taking of Alewives in Bagaduce River and Walker's Pond.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section one of chapter two hundred and fifty of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, as amended by chapter two hundred and fifty-six of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, is hereby further amended by adding at the end of said section, the words 'provided, however, that it shall be lawful to catch alewives with a gill net on the Bagaduce river between Johnson's narrows and a point five hundred yards from the fishway at Walker's pond,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 1. The taking of alewives, except by hand dip net and weirs between Johnson's narrows and the head of Walker's or Gray's pond, so called, is hereby prohibited, under a penalty of ten dollars for each fish so taken or caught in violation of this act. Provided, however, that it shall be lawful to catch alewives with a gill net on the Bagaduce river between Johnson's narrows and a point five hundred yards from the fishway at Walker's pond.'

Approved March 17, 1897.

Section 1,  
chapter 250,  
private  
laws, 1887, as  
amended by  
chapter 256,  
laws, 1896,  
further  
amended.

Taking of  
alewives,  
except by  
dip net in  
Bagaduce  
river, pro-  
hibited.

—penalty.

—proviso.

**Chapter 464.**

An Act to amend Chapter one hundred and ninety-three of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Fryeburg Horse Railroad Company."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section two of chapter one hundred and ninety-three of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "horse" in the second line of said section, the words 'or electrical, or compressed air,' and by striking out the word "only" in said sentence, so that the section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 2. Said railroad shall be operated and used by said corporation with horse, or electrical, or compressed air power. The municipal officers of the town of Fryeburg shall have power at all times to make such regulations as to rate of speed, and

Charter  
amended.

Railroad  
may be  
operated by  
horse, elec-  
trical or  
compressed  
air power.

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—town officers shall have power to regulate speed, etc.

Section 5, amended.

Capital stock.

Section 6, amended.

Authorized to construct lines in Fryeburg, under regulations of town officers.

—may acquire other franchises and issue bonds.

—may furnish light and power.

—construct lines for transmission of power.

—empowered to extend lines into other towns, under conditions imposed by town officers.

removal of snow and ice from the streets, roads and highways by said corporation, at its own expense, and mode of the use of the track of said railroad upon the streets and roads of said town as the public convenience and safety require.'

Sect. 2. Section five is hereby amended by striking out all of said section, and inserting in its place the following:

'Sect. 5. The capital stock of said corporation shall not exceed two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, to be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each.'

Sect. 3. Section six of said act is hereby amended by striking out all of said section, and inserting the following:

'Sect. 6. Said corporation shall have the right to construct, maintain and operate a line or lines of single or double track railroad, with the necessary side tracks, switches and turnouts, and other appliances for the passage of cars, carriages or other vehicles, upon or along such streets in the town of Fryeburg, now or hereafter laid out, as the municipal officers of Fryeburg may permit. The company may purchase, lease, acquire and transfer all real or personal estate necessary for the carrying on of its business, and may lease to or acquire the lease of other franchises and hold the same for purposes of conducting their business, and issue bonds to such amounts as the directors may from time to time determine is necessary, not exceeding the amount of capital stock subscribed for. Said corporation is empowered and authorized to carry on the business of lighting by electricity or otherwise such public streets in the town of Fryeburg, and such buildings and places therein, public and private, as may be agreed upon by said corporation and the owners or those having control of such places to be lighted, and to furnish motive power by electricity or otherwise within said town, construct or lay and maintain poles, lines of wire, or other material for the transmission of electricity or power upon, under or along or over all streets and ways under the direction of the municipal officers of the town. Said railroad corporation is hereby empowered to extend its road from any points or places in Fryeburg to any points or places in the towns of Lovell and Stow, under the same conditions as to location and construction, or other conditions imposed by the municipal officers of said towns of Lovell or Stow as are permitted under this act to be imposed by the municipal officers of said town of Fryeburg.'



Sect. 4. Said chapter is further amended by adding the following section:

'Sect. 10. So long as this company operates its road by horse power only, it shall not be compelled to operate the same from October first to June first.'

Sect. 5. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 17, 1897.

# CHAP. 465

Section added.

When horse power only, is used, road may be operated from Oct. 1 to June 1.

## Chapter 465.

An Act to incorporate the Eastport Street Railway.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. John H. McFaul, Ambrose L. Blanchard, Noel B. Nutt, Samuel D. Leavitt, William S. Hume, George O. Grady, Charles E. Capen, Charles M. Buxton, Frank S. Paine, Leavitt M. Whalen, Charles E. Martin, Alexander D. McFaul and Eben A. Holmes, their associates, successors and assigns are hereby constituted a corporation under the name of the Eastport Street Railway Company, with authority to construct, maintain, equip and operate a line or lines of single or double track railway, to be operated by horse power or electricity, with the necessary side tracks, switches and turnouts, and other appliances for the passage of cars, carriages or other vehicles, upon or along such streets in the city of Eastport, now or hereafter laid out, as the city council of said Eastport may permit, including the right to bridge or otherwise cross the tide waters of Shackford's cove where vessels can navigate, at Sodom bridge, so called, or at any point nearer the head of said cove, where said company may acquire other approaches to said cove, by purchase or otherwise, subject to the consent and approval of the city council of said city of Eastport.

Corporators.

—corporate name.

—may construct railroad to be operated by horse power or electricity, in streets under conditions imposed by city council.

—cross tide waters.

Sect. 2. The capital stock of said company shall be one hundred thousand dollars, in shares of one hundred dollars each. The directors shall have absolute power and authority to transfer and issue stock to any person, in consideration of any claim or demand against the company or in payment for any property, right or privilege granted to the company, and such stock shall be the same as if actual cash had been paid therefor.

Capital stock.

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Tracks may be laid in such street as city council may direct.

Unless permission to construct railway within two years, act becomes void.

Grade of streets shall not be interfered with.  
—liability for damages.

—if not operated within one year after construction, rails may be taken up.

—shall keep streets in good repair.

Style of cars and how they shall be run.

—speed.

—barges may be used in winter.

—fares.

Sect. 3. The tracks shall be laid in such parts of the streets as the city council may direct; the gauge of track to be not more than four feet eight and one-half inches. The city council shall have the right to determine whether any street railway shall be built and to designate the streets over which said railway may run.\* And unless application is made to the city council for permission to construct a street railway under this charter, and a contract entered into for its construction within two years from the passage of this act, the incorporators herein named, and their associates, shall transfer and assign this charter to such persons as the city council may select, and this charter shall be void and of no effect, unless work of construction shall be commenced within two years from the passage of this act.

Sect. 4. Said company shall build its road so as not to interfere with the grade of any street, and shall conform to any change of street grade when required by the city council. And said company shall be liable for all damages to persons and property caused by its failure to conform to the existing grade, or to the grade at any time hereafter established, of any street on which its track may be laid. And if, after its construction, any part of said railway shall not be operated for one year, the city council may order the rails taken up, and the streets properly repaired, or may cause the same to be done, the expense to be paid out of the proceeds of the sale of said rails. Said company shall keep in good repair the streets between the rails and two feet outside of said rails, and shall make all other repairs on said streets, which in the opinion of the city council are rendered necessary by the occupation of the same by said company, and if the company fails to make such repairs after reasonable notice, the city council may make the repairs at the expense of the company. The rails shall not be laid over one inch above the level of the street.

Sect. 5. The cars shall be a kind approved by the city council, shall be kept in good order, and run over the line daily, and be provided with signal lights and alarm bells. The rate of speed may be fixed, from time to time, by the city council, as the public safety and convenience may require. Barges propelled by horses may be used in winter, and said company shall provide for the disposition of ice and snow from the track in such manner as the street commissioner of said Eastport may direct, and on failure to do so, the commissioner may remove the same at the expense of said company. The maximum rate of single

fare, except by the consent of the city council, shall be five cents, and for school children forty tickets for one dollar. The city of Eastport shall not be liable for any damage to persons or property occasioned by said company or its officers, agents, or servants, during construction or operation of said railway.

City shall not be liable for damages, while road is being constructed.

Sect. 6. The company may purchase, lease, acquire and transfer all real and personal estate necessary for carrying on its business.

May hold real estate.

Sect. 7. The directors of this company may, from time to time, raise or borrow for the use of said company, any sums not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars and not exceeding the amount of capital stock subscribed for, by the issue of bonds or debentures in sums of not less than one hundred dollars each, on such terms as they think proper, and may pledge, or mortgage all the property, franchise, and income of the company, or any part thereof, for the payment of sums so borrowed and interest thereon, provided, that the consent of the majority in value of the stockholders shall be first obtained at a special meeting called for that purpose.

May issue bonds and mortgage property.

Sect. 8. All damage done to water pipes or sewers in laying said tracks shall be paid by said company, and it shall be liable for any loss or damage sustained by reason of any carelessness, neglect or misconduct of its servants or agents, or by reason of any defect in so much of the streets as is occupied by said company during construction or operation, if such defect arises from the neglect of the company, its servants or agents. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent the city from entering upon, and taking up any part of the streets occupied by said company, for any purpose for which it is now lawful to take up the same.

Liable for all damages to water pipes, sewers and streets.

Sect. 9. Any person who shall willfully and maliciously obstruct said corporation in the use of its road or tracks, or the passage of its cars or carriages thereon, shall be fined not exceeding two hundred dollars or imprisoned not exceeding sixty days.

Penalty for obstructing use of road.

Sect. 10. The first meeting of this company may be called by either of the corporators, by giving written notice to the others at least five days before the meeting, of the time and place.

First meeting, how called.

Sect. 11. This act shall take effect when approved.

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**Chapter 466.**

An Act to amend "An Act authorizing the City of Lewiston to refund a part of its debt," approved February eighteen, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Special act,  
amended.

Sect. 1. The private and special act of the legislature, approved February eighteen, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, authorizing the city of Lewiston to refund a part of its debt, is hereby amended by striking out the words "be signed by the city treasurer" at the end of section one, and insert in lieu thereof the words 'have the printed or lithographed signature of the city treasurer,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

City may  
issue bonds.

'Sect. 1. To meet its bonds now outstanding and maturing in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, the city of Lewiston is authorized to issue bonds to an amount not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars, payable at a period or periods not exceeding thirty years after the date thereof, and bearing interest at a rate not exceeding four per cent per annum, payable semi-annually. Said bonds shall be issued under the seal of the city and shall be signed by the mayor and treasurer of the city, and the coupons attached to said bonds shall have the printed or lithographed signature of the city treasurer.'

—how issued  
and signed.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 17, 1897.

**Chapter 467.**

An Act to incorporate the Franklin, Somerset and Kennebec Railway Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Corpora-  
tors.

Sect. 1. Leonard Atwood, William D. Hewitt, W. H. Ambler of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; H. H. Rice of Farmington, Frank W. Butler, Andrew Crosswell and George H. Stinchfield of Farmington; H. B. Prescott of New Sharon, Maine, and such other persons as now are or shall hereafter become shareholders in the corporation hereby incorporated, are hereby constituted a body corporate by the name of the Franklin, Somerset and Kennebec Railway Company, with a common seal,

—corporate  
name.

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and shall be hereinafter referred to as the company. The company may lay out, build, own, equip, construct, and operate a line of railway commencing at a point in the village corporation of Farmington, at or near the terminal track of the Sandy River and Maine Central Railroad companies in said Farmington, through Farmington, New Sharon, Mercer, Rome, Smithfield, Belgrade, Oakland and Waterville, to some point in the city of Waterville, county of Kennebec. And said corporation shall have all the powers, privileges and immunities, and be subject to all the duties and liabilities provided by the statutes of this state respecting railroads.

Authorized to construct a railroad.

—location.

—powers and privileges.

Sect. 2. The said corporation is authorized to operate its railway by steam or electricity or both. The electric generators may be operated by steam or water power. It is further authorized to carry on the business of an express company and to maintain telephone and telegraph lines for public use. It may also erect and maintain hotels, cottages and pleasure grounds on the line of their road, provided that the right of taking lands or other property shall not extend to property to be used for such last named purposes, and all such lands and properties shall be acquired by purchase and in no other way.

May operate railway by steam or electricity.

—may do an express business, maintain telephone and telegraph lines and hotels.

Sect. 3. The company may acquire by subscription or otherwise stocks, shares, debenture or debenture stocks, or other interests in any company operating or carrying on any kinds of business which the company is hereby authorized to carry on, and may sell or otherwise dispose of the same.

May acquire by subscription stock, etc., of any company doing same kind of business.

Sect. 4. The company may receive, take, hold and enjoy all grants, donations or conveyances of land or other property made to the company, and may sell, lease, mortgage, exchange, or otherwise dispose of the same as may be deemed advisable, for the purpose of aiding in the construction of the railway and works of the company, or for any other of the objects for which the company is incorporated, provided, that any property so acquired, or the proceeds thereof, shall be held and used for the purpose of such grants, donations or conveyances only, and for no other purpose.

May receive donations of land and other property and dispose of the same.

Sect. 5. Generally the company may take, hold and enjoy real and personal property of every description, and may sell, exchange, mortgage, lease or otherwise dispose of the same as may be deemed advisable in the interests of the company, and the company may do these and all such other things, not con-

May take and hold real and personal property.

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Capital  
stock.

trary to the laws for the time being in force in the state, as are incidental or conducive to the foregoing objects, or any of them.

Sect. 6. The capital stock of the company shall be one hundred thousand dollars, divided into shares of fifty dollars each, which shall be personal property, transmissible and assignable as such; and the company shall have the power from time to time, to increase its capital stock to a sum not exceeding five hundred thousand dollars, by the issue of new shares of an amount equal in the whole to that sum, upon a vote of a majority of the shareholders at a meeting duly called for that purpose, by a notice in writing to each shareholder, as provided by the general statutes.

May issue  
construction  
shares  
for labor  
and ma-  
terial.

Sect. 7. The company may issue construction shares to an amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, in denominations of one-fifth share of ten dollars, par value, which shall be issued for labor performed and material furnished in the construction of the road and for no other purpose. They shall be exchangeable for shares of the common stock and shall bear interest at the rate of five per cent from date of issue until redeemed by the company. The company shall have power to redeem said stock of one-fifth shares at any time they may elect, by paying to the holders thereof, principal or par value and accrued interest.

—shall be  
exchange-  
able for  
common  
stock.

—redemp-  
tion of.

May issue  
bonds.

Sect. 8. The directors of the company are hereby empowered under the authority of a majority vote of shares represented at a meeting called for the purpose, to issue bonds under the seal of the company, signed by the president or other presiding officer, and countersigned by the secretary or treasurer, and such bonds may be made payable at such times and in such manner, and at such places in the state of Maine or elsewhere, and bearing such rate of interest, not exceeding six per centum per annum, as the directors think proper, and the directors shall have power to issue and sell, or pledge all or any such bonds at the best price and upon the best terms and conditions which at the time they are able to obtain, for the purpose of raising money for prosecuting the said undertaking; provided always, that the amount of the bonds so issued, sold or pledged shall not exceed in the whole the sum of eight thousand dollars per mile to be issued on the railway constructed or under contract to be constructed.

—amount  
limited.

May issue  
paid up  
stock and

Sect. 9. The directors may make and issue as paid up stock, shares in the company, and may allot and hand over such shares,

and also mortgage bonds of the company in payment of right of way, plant, rolling stock or materials of any kind, and also for the services of or work done by contractors, engineers, solicitors, or other persons who may have been, are, or may be engaged in promoting the undertaking and interests of the company, and in whole or partial payment for the purchase, lease or other acquisition of railways, lands and other property; and such allotments of stock or bonds shall be binding on the company, and the paid up stock shall not be assessable thereafter for calls or other purpose; provided always, that no stock shall be so issued beyond the amount of capital hereinbefore authorized.

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allot same  
in payment  
of mater-  
ials, etc.

—paid up  
stock not  
assessable.

Sect. 10. The capital stock of the company shall be applied in the first place to the payment of all expenses and disbursements necessarily or reasonably incurred, whether before or after the passing of this act, in connection with the organization of the company and the making of the surveys, plans and estimates connected with the works and operations hereby authorized, and all the remainder of such money shall be applied to the making, completing, equipping and maintaining of the said railway and other purposes of this act, and to no other purpose whatever.

How capital  
shall be ap-  
plied.

Sect. 11. The company may secure the bonds to be issued by them by a mortgage deed or mortgage deeds, creating such mortgages, charges and incumbrances upon the whole or any part or parts of the undertaking, and the tolls and revenue of the company present or future, or both, and the other property, real and personal, of the company, as are described in any such deed, but such rents and revenues shall be subject in the first instance, to the payment of the actual working expenses of the railway, and by any such deed the company may grant to the holder of such bonds, or to the trustee or trustees named in such deeds, all and every the power and remedies granted by this act in respect of the said bonds, and all other powers and remedies not inconsistent with this act, and all such powers, rights and remedies as are so contained in such mortgage deed shall be valid, binding and available to the bond holders in manner and form as therein provided.

May secure  
bonds by  
mortgage.

—rents and  
revenue  
shall first be  
applied to  
payment of  
working ex-  
penses.

Sect. 12. If the company makes default in paying the principal or interest on any of the bonds hereby authorized, at the time when the same, by the terms of such bonds becomes due and payable, then at the next ensuing annual general meeting of the company, and at all subsequent meetings, all holders of

Holders of  
defaulted  
bonds, shall  
have the  
right to be  
directors.

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bonds so being and remaining in default, shall in respect thereof, have and possess the same rights and privileges and qualifications for being elected directors, and for voting at meetings, as they would possess if they had fully paid up shares of the company to a corresponding amount; provided nevertheless, that the right given by this section shall not be exercised by any bondholder, unless the bonds in respect to which he claims to exercise such right have been first registered in his name in the same manner as is provided by law for the registration of shares of the company; and for that purpose the company shall be bound on demand to register any of the said bonds in the name of the holder thereof, and to register any transfer thereof in the same manner as a transfer of shares. Provided also, that the exercise of the right given by this section shall not take away, limit or restrain any other of the rights or remedies to which the holders of such bonds are entitled.

—right shall not be exercised, unless bonds have been registered.

—exercise of right shall not restrain other rights of holders of such bonds.

Bonds shall be transferable.

Sect. 13. All bonds, debentures and other securities hereby authorized, and the coupons and interest warrants thereon respectively, may be made payable to bearer, and shall, in that case, be transferable by delivery until registry thereof in manner provided in the next preceding section, and while so registered they shall be transferable by written transfer registered in the same manner as in the case of shares; but they shall again become transferable by delivery upon the registration of a transfer to bearer, which the company shall be bound to register on the demand of the registered holder for the time being.

Company may receive aid from towns and persons.

Sect. 14. The company may receive from any town, or from any persons or body corporate, municipal or politic, aid, towards the construction, equipment or maintenance of the railway line, or objects contemplated by this act, by way of gifts, subsidies or bonuses in land, money or securities, or by loans, or by way of guarantee, or by providing rights of way for such line, or any part thereof, or objects free of expense to the company, upon such terms or conditions as may be agreed upon.

Shall grant reasonable facilities for traffic, to other lines upon joint agreement.

Sect. 15. The company shall be bound to grant such traffic arrangements to all companies whose railways connect with the railway lines of the company as will offer reasonable facilities for traffic, subject to such conditions as the companies may jointly determine.

May sell or lease to other lines or make mutual

Sect. 16. The company may enter into agreements with any corporation or persons owning or controlling any railway or other property or undertaking, for the sale or lease to the com-



pany of such railway property or undertaking, or for mutual traffic arrangements, running powers or other privileges, between such corporations or persons and the company, in connection with their respective railways, property or undertaking, provided that any such agreement shall not go into operation until it shall have been approved by a majority of the votes at a regularly called general meeting of the shareholders of the company and approved by them.

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traffic arrangements.

Sect. 17. A toll is hereby granted for the benefit of said corporation, upon all passengers and property which may be conveyed or transferred on or over each line of railway or branches, at such rates as may be established by its directors, and on such business as it may do over its telephone and telegraph lines, and through its express facilities, subject to such general laws in relation thereto as are or may from time to time, be established by the legislature.

Tolls granted.

Sect. 18. The said Leonard Atwood, William D. Hewitt, W. H. Ambler, H. H. Rice, Frank W. Butler, Andrew Crosswell, George H. Stinchfield, H. B. Prescott and Nathaniel Harding shall be the provisional directors of said company, and they shall have all the powers vested in directors duly appointed under this act until a proper organization of the company.

Provisional directors.

Sect. 19. The first meeting of the corporation may be called by any three of the corporators above named, by notice thereof in writing given or mailed to each corporator at least ten days before such meeting. Any corporator may act at such meeting by proxy.

First meeting, how called.

Sect. 20. This act shall cease and determine if actual surveys are not made and completed over that portion of the line commencing at its terminal in Farmington and through the towns of Farmington and New Sharon to a point on the west bank of the Sandy river at New Sharon village, on or before August first, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, and the completion of that portion of the line on or before December thirty-first, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and the completion of the whole line to Waterville, before the thirty-first day of December, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine.

When act shall cease.

Sect. 21. This act shall take effect when approved.

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An Act to provide for the retirement of members of the Fire Department of the City of Portland upon half pay.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

City authorized to retire and pension members of fire department.

The city council, of the city of Portland, are hereby authorized to provide by ordinance for the retirement, upon a pension not exceeding half pay, of members of the fire department who have served not less than twenty-five years in a position in the fire department requiring them to give to its duties their whole time, and who have been honorably discharged by reason of age, or of permanent physical incapacity which is the result of an incident of service.

Approved March 18, 1897.

**Chapter 469.**

An Act to repeal Chapter five hundred and eighty of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, and Chapter sixty-five of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and seventy eight, relating to Swett's Pond, Field's Pond and Brewer's Pond in Orrington.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Chapter 580, private laws, 1868, and chapter 65, laws, 1878, repealed.

Chapter five hundred and eighty of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, and chapter sixty-five of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-eight are hereby repealed.

Approved March 18, 1897.

**Chapter 470.**

An Act to amend Chapter one hundred and fifty-four of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to the charter of the Wiscasset Water Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:* •

Charter amended.

Section nine of chapter one hundred and fifty-four of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, is hereby amended as follows: the word "two" in the first line of said section is stricken out and the word 'four' inserted, so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 9. This act shall become null and void in four years from the approval hereof, unless the corporation shall have organized and commenced the actual construction of its works under this charter.'

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Charter extended four years.

Approved March 20, 1897.

### Chapter 471.

An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter five hundred and ninety-four of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Lawry Dam Company."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section two of chapter five hundred and ninety-four of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three is hereby amended so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Charter amended.

'Sect. 2. Said corporation is hereby empowered and authorized to build and maintain a dam in the Sheepscot river in the town of Palermo, between the points where the Sheepscot river emerges from Sheepscot great pond and a point not more than a mile below following the river, and to build and maintain another dam in said river in the town of Somerville, on the site of the old saw mill dam at Somerville corner, and to remove rocks and make all other necessary improvements in said river and pond between a point on said river in the town of Palermo, two miles above the head of Sheepscot great pond and the saw mill of George S. Burrill, in the town of Jefferson, to facilitate the driving of logs and lumber down the same, and for this purpose said corporation may take land and materials necessary for the construction of said dams and to make said improvements. And if the parties cannot agree upon the damages, the corporation shall pay the proprietors of the land and materials, so taken, such damages as shall be ascertained and determined by the county commissioners of the county in which such land or material, so taken, is situated, in the same manner and under the same conditions and limitations as are by law provided in the case of damage by laying out public highways. If any damage is occasioned by the drawing off or overflow of said water, or by the breaking of said dams or either of them, to any highways, bridges, mills or lands below said dams or either of said

Authorized to build dam in Sheepscot river in Palermo.

—location.

—Somerville.

—improve river and pond.

—may take land.

—liable for all damages and how ascertained in case of disagreement.

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dams, and if the parties cannot agree upon the damages, the corporation shall pay to the parties so damaged, such sums as may be ascertained and determined by the county commissioners of the county in which such highways, bridges, mills or lands so damaged are situated, in the same manner and under the same conditions and limitations as are by law provided in case of damage by laying out of public highways. And for damages occasioned by flowing land, and such other damages heretofore mentioned, said corporation shall not be liable to an action at common law, but persons injured may have a remedy by a complaint for flowage in which the same proceedings shall be had as when a complaint is made under the statute of this state for flowing lands occasioned by raising a head of water for the working of mills, and the head of water caused by said corporation by the maintenance of said dams shall be drawn off on or before the fifteenth day of May of each year. Said corporation, before erecting any dams or embankments for the storage of water on Sheepscot river or any of its tributaries, shall file its plans and specifications thereof in the registry of deeds for Lincoln county, for public inspection, with the certificate of the inspector of dams and reservoirs, appointed under chapter ninety-two of the revised statutes, stating therein that in his judgment they are safe and sufficient. After completion thereof, said corporation shall also file a similar certificate that such works, as well as all such works heretofore erected are safe and sufficient. The company shall pay such inspector for his services and expenses. The supreme judicial court, in equity, shall have power by appropriate process to enforce this section on petition of the county commissioners for Lincoln county or the selectmen of any town therein. Provided, however, that the right to build and maintain said second dam in the town of Somerville as aforesaid shall not take effect, if the Maine Water and Electric Power Company shall within two years from the approval of this act build upon the aforesaid site at Somerville corner a dam at least five feet high in the manner and under the restrictions of its existing charter, and said right shall so remain in operation only so long as said Maine Water and Electric Power Company shall so maintain said dam by it so built.'

—shall file in Lincoln registry of deeds, plans and specifications.

—certificate of dam inspector.

—after completion, shall file certificate of safety.

—how this section may be enforced.

—right shall not take effect, if Maine Water and Electric Power Company build within two years upon aforesaid site.

Act further amended.

Sect. 2. Said chapter five hundred and ninety-four of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three is hereby further amended by adding thereto the following section.

'Sect. 6. Said corporation is hereby authorized and empowered to locate, build and maintain in Sheepscot river at any point or points between said saw mill of George S. Burrill in the town of Jefferson and the outlet of Long pond in the town of Windsor, piers and booms for sorting out logs and lumber coming down said river and for holding the same for use and manufacture at said Burrill's mill, and are not to occasion any unreasonable delay or obstruction in the driving of any other logs or lumber. Said corporation may take such lands as may be necessary for the erection and maintenance of said piers and booms and connecting the same with the river shore, and may with its agents, servants and teams pass and repass over said shores and to and from the same over the land of other persons for the purposes aforesaid, and for managing said piers and booms, making compensation therefor as is provided in the case of land taken in laying out highways.'

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May build  
dams and  
booms in  
town of  
Windsor.—shall not  
delay the  
driving of  
logs.—may take  
land.—com-  
pensation.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 20, 1897.

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An Act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Light and Power Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. John H. Maxwell, William A. Stuart, John L. Cummings, Daniel J. Bogan, Edmund Eaton, their associates, successors and assigns are hereby made a body politic and corporate by the name of the Livermore Falls Light and Power Company, and as such shall have and possess all the rights, powers and privileges, and be subject to all the duties and obligations conferred and imposed on corporations by law, except as otherwise provided in this act.

Corpora-  
tors.—corporate  
name.

Sect. 2. Said corporation shall be located in the town of East Livermore, in the county of Androscoggin and state of Maine, and its business shall be confined to the towns of East Livermore and Livermore, in the county of Androscoggin and the town of Jay, in the county of Franklin.

Location.

Sect. 3. For any of the purposes aforesaid, said corporation is hereby authorized to generate electricity for the purpose

Authorized  
to gene-  
rate elec-

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electricity for lighting purposes, in certain towns.

Certain towns authorized to contract for the lighting of streets.

May furnish light and power in certain towns, to manufacturing corporations, etc.

May furnish light and heat to any dwelling house.

May lay down pipes, erect posts and wires along highways.

—shall repair streets, etc., to the satisfaction of selectmen.

Liable for damages to streets.

of lighting the public streets within said towns of East Livermore, Livermore and Jay.

Sect. 4. The towns of East Livermore, Livermore and Jay are hereby authorized to contract with said corporation for lighting the streets within said towns of East Livermore, Livermore and Jay, upon such terms as they may mutually agree.

Sect. 5. The said corporation is hereby authorized to generate electricity for the purpose of furnishing light and power to any individual, manufacturing establishment, corporation or electric railroad, situated or located within the limits of East Livermore, Livermore or Jay.

Sect. 6. The said corporation is hereby authorized to furnish light and heat to any dwelling house or other building, located within the limits of East Livermore, Livermore and Jay.

Sect. 7. Said corporation is hereby authorized to lay down and maintain in, under, through, along, above and across the highways, ways, roads, streets, railroads, bridges and lands, in said East Livermore, Livermore and Jay; and to take up, replace and repair all such pipes and fixtures, and to erect and maintain such posts, wires and other fixtures as may be necessary for the objects of its incorporation, and may enter upon and dig up any land, way, street or road in said East Livermore, Livermore and Jay, for the purposes aforesaid, and in general may do any other acts and things necessary, convenient or proper to be done for the complete establishment and maintenance of its works and plants, provided always, that the said corporation shall, at its own expense, and to the satisfaction of the selectmen of the towns of East Livermore, Livermore and Jay, without unnecessary delay, repair said lands, ways, streets, roads and bridges in every part where they shall be entered upon and dug up, and restore the covering, pavements and sidewalks thereof, respectively.

Sect. 8. Said corporation shall be liable in all cases to repay the said towns of East Livermore, Livermore and Jay all sums of money that said towns shall be obliged to pay on any judgment recovered against them for damages occasioned by any obstruction, digging up, or displacement of any land, way or street, by said corporation, together with counsel fees and expenses necessarily incurred in defending said towns in actions therefor, provided however, that said corporation shall have notice of the commencement of any and all suits for such dam-

age, and shall have the right to defend the same at its own expense. CHAP. 473

Sect. 9. The capital stock of said corporation shall be one hundred thousand dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, and said corporation, for the purposes of this charter, may hold real and personal estate, necessary or convenient therefor, and not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars. Capital stock.

Sect. 10. Said corporation may issue its bonds for the construction of its works upon such rates and time as it may deem expedient, to any amount not exceeding the amount of its capital stock subscribed for, and secure the same by mortgage of the franchise and property of said company. May issue bonds and mortgage property.

Sect. 11. The first meeting of said company may be called by written notice thereof, signed by any incorporator, served upon each incorporator, by giving in hand, or leaving the same at his last usual place of abode, seven days before the time of the meeting. First meeting, how called.

Sect. 12. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 20, 1897.

### Chapter 473.

An Act to legalize the incorporation of Wales Grange, Number Forty, Patrons of Husbandry.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The acts and doings of Wales grange, number forty, patrons of husbandry, at a meeting of said grange held June twenty, eighteen hundred and ninety-one, for the purpose of organizing said grange into a corporate legal body, under chapter fifty-five of the revised statutes of Maine, so far as relates to insufficient notice and other informalities, are hereby legalized and made valid, and said grange is hereby declared to be a legal corporation. Doings of Wales Grange, legalized.

Sect. 2. All the acts and doings of said corporation by its executive committee in issuing notes to create a fund to purchase flour and grain, and for the construction of its plant, so far as relates to any imperfection in the organization of said corporation, are hereby confirmed and declared legal and valid, but the contract rights of third persons are not hereby affected. Doings in issuing notes, made valid.

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Acts in se-  
curing lease  
of parcel of  
land,  
made valid.

Sect. 3. All the acts and doings of said corporation in negotiating and securing a lease of a certain piece or parcel of land in the town of Wales, on which said corporation's buildings are located, of Alonzo M. Donnell, so far as relates to any imperfection in the organization of said corporation, are hereby legalized and made valid, but the contract rights of third persons are not hereby affected.

Sect. 4. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 20, 1897.

**Chapter 474.**

An Act to establish the Maine Polyclinic.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Corpora-  
tors.

Sect. 1. Samuel J. Bassford, M. D., Biddeford; William H. Bradford, M. D., Portland; Charles W. Bray, M. D., Portland; Henry H. Brock, M. D., Portland; H. T. Clough, M. D., Portland; W. L. Cousins, M. D., Portland; George H. Cummings, M. D., Portland; I. T. Dana, M. D., Portland; D. W. Fellows, M. D., Portland; Thomas Fillebrown, M. D., D. M. D., Portland; B. B. Foster, M. D., Portland; E. M. Fuller, M. D., Bath; Arthur Scott Gilson, M. D., Portland; S. C. Gordon, M. D., Portland; E. H. Hill, M. D., Lewiston; George P. Emmons, M. D., Lewiston; J. F. Hill, M. D., Waterville; E. E. Holt, M. D., Portland; I. E. Kimball, M. D., Portland; George F. Libby, M. D., Portland; H. A. Kelley, D. M. D., Portland; William J. Maybury, M. D., Saco; Charles W. Foster, M. D., Woodfords; N. M. Marshall, M. D., Portland; A. K. P. Meserve, M. D., Portland; J. B. O'Neill, M. D., Portland; H. B. Palmer, M. D., Farmington; C. A. Peaslee, M. D., Wiscasset; G. A. Pudor, M. D., Portland; D. A. Robinson, M. D., Bangor; F. W. Searle, M. D., Portland; W. B. Small, M. D., Lewiston; William Lawrence Dana, M. D., Portland; James A. Spalding, M., D., Portland; M. Hubbard Ferguson, M. D., Phippsburg; F. C. Thayer, M. D., Waterville; E. A. Thompson, M. D., Dover; John F. Thompson, M. D., Portland; H. F. Twitchell, M. D., Portland; Stanley P. Warren, M. D., Portland; Milton C. Wedgewood, M. D., Lewiston, are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of the Maine Polyclinic,

—corporate  
name.



and by that name they and those whom they may elect as their associates and successors may and shall have succession, may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, defend and be defended in all courts and places whatsoever, in all manner of action and actions, suits, matters, complaints and causes whatsoever; and they and their successors may have and use a common seal, and may change and alter same at their pleasure, and they and their successors, by the name and style of the Maine Polyclinic, may acquire, take, and hold, by purchase, gift, devise, or bequest, real or personal estate to the amount of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars and may let, mortgage, lease, or sell any or all of said real or personal estate for the purposes in this act provided.

—rights,  
powers and  
privileges.

Sect. 2. The object of such corporation shall be to utilize in Maine, all the opportunities afforded in connection with the treatment of the poor, who are unable to pay, for the purposes of illustrating and teaching the best methods for relieving suffering and curing disease.

Object of  
corpora-  
tion.

Sect. 3. The affairs of the corporation shall be conducted by a board of trustees; the number and persons constituting said board shall be determined and elected by ballot at the first meeting of the corporation, which meeting shall be held at such time and place as a majority of the incorporators shall elect; said board to be divided into three classes so that the term of one-third of said board shall expire each year and this number thereafter shall be elected at the annual meeting of the corporation. The corporation shall meet annually. It may be convened at any time on call of its president or by three members after due notice has been given each member of the objects of said meeting. Seven members of the corporation shall constitute a quorum and a majority vote shall decide all questions. In case of any vacancy or vacancies occurring during the year among the said trustees by death or resignation or otherwise, the said board of trustees shall have power at any time to fill the vacancy from among the members of the said corporation. The board of trustees may determine the qualification of persons and elect them to membership of the said corporation and such persons when duly qualified shall be eligible for trustees in case of vacancies occurring in the board.

Trustees,  
number and  
election.

—tenure.

—meetings.

—quorum.

—vacan-  
cies, how  
filled.

—qualifica-  
tion for  
member-  
ship.

Sect. 4. The board of trustees shall have power to enact by-laws and regulations for the conduct of its affairs, not incon-

By-laws and  
regula-  
tions.

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—costs, how recovered.

—damages for flowage.

Damages for taking water.

May contract to supply water.

—town may contract for water, and exempt from taxation.

Capital stock.

May hold real estate not exceeding \$100,000.

company forfeit all rights under the same as against such land owner. Said company may make a tender to any land owner damaged under the provisions of this act, and if such land owner recovers more damages than were tendered him by said company, he shall recover costs, otherwise said company shall recover costs. In case said company shall begin to occupy such lands before the rendition of final judgment, the land owner may require said company to file its bond to him with said county commissioners, in such sum and with such sureties as they approve, conditioned for said payment or deposit. No action shall be brought against said company for such taking, holding and occupation, until after such failure to pay or deposit as aforesaid. Damages caused by flowage are to be ascertained and paid in the same manner. Failure to apply for damages within one year by the land owner, shall be held to be a waiver of the same.

Sect. 7. Any person suffering damage by the taking of water by said company as provided by this act, may have his damages assessed in the manner provided in the preceding section, and payment therefor shall be made in the same manner and with the same effect. No action shall be brought for the same until after the expiration of the time of payment. And a tender by said company may be made with the same effect as in the preceding section.

Sect. 8. Said corporation is hereby authorized to make contracts with the United States, and with corporations, and inhabitants of said town of Lamoine for the purpose of supplying water as contemplated by this act; and said town of Lamoine is hereby authorized to enter into contract with said company for a supply of water for public uses on such terms as the parties may agree, including exemption from public burdens, which when made shall be legal and binding on all parties thereto, and said town of Lamoine for these purposes may raise money in the same manner as for other town charges.

Sect. 9. The capital stock of said company shall be five thousand dollars, which may be increased to one hundred thousand dollars by a vote of said company, and said stock shall be divided into shares of ten dollars each.

Sect. 10. Said company for all of its said purposes, may hold real and personal estate necessary and convenient therefor, not exceeding in amount one hundred thousand dollars.

Sect. 11. Said company may issue its bonds for the construction of its works of any and all kinds upon such rates and time as it may deem expedient, to the amount not exceeding in all the sum of one hundred thousand dollars and secure the same by mortgage of the franchise and property of said company, but the bonds issued shall not at any time exceed in amount, the capital stock of the company subscribed for.

Sect. 12. The first meeting of said company may be called by a written notice thereof, signed by any two corporators herein named, served upon each corporator by giving him the same in hand, or by leaving the same at his last usual place of abode, seven days before the time of meeting.

Sect. 13. This act shall take effect when approved.

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May issue bonds and mortgage property.

First meeting, how called.

### Chapter 476.

An Act to authorize the County Commissioners of Cumberland County to negotiate a loan for the payment of land damages incurred by the widening of the highway known as Forest Avenue, in the City of Deering, in said county.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The county of Cumberland is hereby authorized to negotiate a loan not exceeding forty-eight thousand dollars, exclusive of and in addition to loans authorized by chapter two hundred and sixty-five, of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, chapter five hundred and thirty-eight, of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, and chapter thirty-nine of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, necessary for the payment of land damages incurred by the widening of the highway known as Forest avenue, in the city of Deering, in said county.

Sect. 2. Said loan shall become payable at such times as the county commissioners may appoint, and shall bear interest at the rate of four per cent per annum, payable semi-annually.

Sect. 3. The county treasurer is hereby authorized under the direction of the county commissioners in order to procure said loan, to issue ninety-six bonds of the county of Cumberland with interest coupons attached, of the denomination of five hundred dollars each, dated upon a day appointed by the county

County authorized to procure loan.

—purposes.

Time when payable, and rate of interest.

May issue bonds.

**CHAP. 477** commissioners, payable to bearer, at such times as the county commissioners may appoint.

How signed  
and to be  
sold.

Sect. 4. Said bonds and coupons shall be signed by the county treasurer, and said bonds shall be countersigned by the county commissioners of said county, and shall be sold by the treasurer at the highest price he can obtain; and the proceeds of the same shall be applied for the purposes aforesaid and for none other.

Approved March 20, 1887.

### Chapter 477.

An Act to authorize the Damariscotta Mills Water Power Company to develop, sell and use electric power, and to transmit by electricity, for lease or sale, heat, light and power.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Company  
authorized  
to develop  
and sell  
electric  
power.

Sect. 1. The Damariscotta Mills Water Power Company, a corporation duly organized under the general law, and having its place of business at Nobleboro, Maine, is hereby authorized and empowered to develop, sell and use electric power, and to transmit by electricity, for lease or sale, heat, light and power.

May erect  
poles and  
wires.

Sect. 2. Said corporation is hereby empowered to set, erect and maintain all poles, wires and fixtures necessary for the development and transmission of electricity for the purpose of furnishing electric light, heat, and power, for lease or sale, to such points as may be feasible, and in such manner as may be expedient, for public and private uses, in and through the streets and ways of the towns of Damariscotta, Newcastle, Edgecomb, Wiscasset, Woolwich, Nobleboro, Waldoboro, Warren, and Thomaston, and the cities of Bath and Rockland, under such reasonable restrictions as may be imposed by the municipal officers thereof, subject to and in accordance with the general laws of the state regulating the erection of posts and lines for the purposes of electricity; with the right to cut down trees and remove obstacles, when necessary, within the limits aforesaid, except ornamental, fruit or shade trees. Such power so transmitted may be used in the operation of any railroad or street railroad authorized by its charter or general law to use electricity or any other motive power.

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Sect. 3. None of the powers granted to said corporation by section two shall be used by it for the sale of light, heat or power in Damariscotta, Newcastle, Nobleboro, Bath, Thomaston or Rockland, where corporations organized under special charters are now exercising some of their chartered powers, except for the sale of light, heat or power to such corporations as already have prior chartered rights for such purposes, in the towns and cities above mentioned.

Shall not compete with corporations, already furnishing light and heat.

Sect. 4. Said corporation, for the purposes aforesaid, is authorized to set, erect and maintain such poles, wires and fixtures, over, along and upon any private land, and to purchase or take such land for such purposes, as and for public uses. In case of such taking, said corporation shall file in the registry of deeds for the county wherein the property affected may lay, a description of the land and interest therein taken. In such case, if the parties cannot agree on the damage occasioned thereby, the damages shall be estimated, paid and secured in the manner provided in the case of land taken for railroads.

May erect poles upon private lands and take such lands.

—shall file description of such land.

—damages, how estimated in case of disagreement.

Sect. 5. For the purposes aforesaid said corporation is hereby authorized to cross and occupy tide and navigable waters with its poles, wires and fixtures, or to carry its wires under the same by cable, in such manner as shall not unnecessarily interfere with or incommode the public use thereof.

May cross tide waters.

Sect. 6. Said corporation shall in all cases be liable to pay to any town or city all sums recovered against it for damages by reason of any fault or neglect of said corporation, together with reasonable counsel fees and costs, with interest, provided said company shall have notice in writing of any suit wherein such damages are claimed, and shall be allowed to defend the same at its own expense.

Liable for neglect.

Sect. 7. Said corporation is authorized to make contracts with said towns and cities, or any village corporation that may be organized therein, for light, heat or power, and said cities and towns and any village corporation therein organized are authorized to so contract for a term of years, subject to the provisions of section three of this act.

May contract to furnish light, heat and power.

Sect. 8. None of the provisions of this act, and none of the acts of the corporation hereunder, shall in any way be construed as abridging, limiting, or affecting the rights and powers which said corporation now has under the general law.

Rights under the general law, shall not be abridged.

Sect. 9. For the purpose of carrying out the foregoing provisions, or either of them, or any of the provisions or the

May issue bonds and mortgage property.

**CHAP. 478** purposes of said corporation, said corporation is authorized to issue its bonds, in such form and amount, but in no event to exceed the amount of capital stock subscribed for, and on such time and rate, as it may from time to time determine, and secure the same by mortgage of its property and franchises.

Approved March 20, 1897.

### Chapter 478.

An Act authorizing the town of Wayne to raise money to be expended in celebrating the one hundredth anniversary of its incorporation.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Town of Wayne authorized to raise money to celebrate anniversary.

Sect. 1. The inhabitants of the town of Wayne, in the county of Kennebec, are hereby authorized and empowered to raise by taxation, in the same manner in which other sums of money are now raised by taxation, a sum of money not to exceed five hundred dollars, in the year one thousand eight hundred ninety-seven, to be expended in celebrating the one hundredth anniversary of the incorporation of said town.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 20, 1897.

### Chapter 479.

An Act to authorize the Maine Pulp and Paper Company to generate, sell, supply, distribute and transmit electricity for power and heating.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Company authorized to generate and supply electricity.

—shall not compete with firms now furnishing lights, except by consent of such firms, etc.

Sect. 1. The Maine Pulp and Paper Company, a corporation organized under the laws of the state of Maine, and located in Lewiston, county of Androscoggin and state of Maine, its successors and assigns, is hereby granted the right to generate, sell, supply, distribute and transmit electricity for power and heating in the cities of Lewiston and Auburn and the towns of Greene and Turner in the said county of Androscoggin, but not to include electricity for electric lighting for municipal or private purposes, without the consent of all companies, firms or corporations now furnishing electric lights for municipal or

private purposes in said Lewiston and Auburn, except that said Maine Pulp and Paper Company may furnish power to any company, firm or corporation, which is now engaged in the distribution and sale of electric power for municipal or private lighting in said cities of Lewiston and Auburn.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 20, 1897.

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### Chapter 480.

An Act to amend Chapter five hundred six of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, entitled "An Act to incorporate the City of Deering," as amended by Chapter four hundred thirty-nine of Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, and by Chapter six hundred thirty-three of Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, and by Chapter two hundred thirty-eight of Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section one of chapter five hundred and six of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine is hereby amended by striking out the word "twenty" in next to the last line and inserting in the place thereof the word 'fifty' so that said section as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 1,  
chapter 506,  
private  
laws, 1889,  
amended.

'Sect. 1. The inhabitants of the town of Deering in the county of Cumberland, shall continue to be a body politic and corporate under the name of the city of Deering, and as such shall have, exercise and enjoy all the rights, immunities, powers, privileges and franchises, and shall be subject to all the duties and obligations now incumbent upon and pertaining to the said town as a municipal corporation and may enact reasonable by-laws and regulations for municipal purposes and impose penalties for the breach thereof, not exceeding fifty dollars, to be recovered for such uses as the city council may designate.'

—corporate  
name.

—rights,  
powers and  
privileges.

Sect. 2. Section two of chapter five hundred and six of the special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, is hereby amended by striking out the word "seven" in the fourth line thereof and inserting in the place thereof the word 'eleven' so that said section as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 2,  
amended.

'Sect. 2. The administration of all fiscal, prudential and municipal affairs of said city with the government thereof shall be vested in an officer to be called the mayor, and one council

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mayor and  
board of al-  
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of eleven to be denominated a board of aldermen; all of whom shall be inhabitants of said city and legal voters therein. Said mayor and aldermen shall constitute the city council, and shall be sworn or affirmed in the form prescribed by the constitution of the state for state officers.'

Section 4,  
amended.

Sect. 3. Section four of chapter five hundred and six of the special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, as amended by section one of chapter four hundred and thirty-nine of the special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, is hereby amended by striking out the word "one" between the word "exceeding" and the word "hundred" in the thirteenth line thereof, and inserting in place thereof the word 'two;' and by inserting the word 'grade' between the word "widen" and the word "or" in the twenty-ninth line thereof; and by inserting the word 'grade' between the word "widen" and the word "or" in the thirty-fourth line thereof; and by inserting the words 'widened, graded,' between the word "out" and the word "or" in the forty-fourth line thereof; and by inserting the words 'widened, graded' between the word "altered" and the word "or" in the forty-eighth line thereof; and by inserting the words 'or grade thereof' between the word "way" and the word "is" in the fifth-ninth line thereof; and by inserting the words 'excepting such public ways as are within the exclusive jurisdiction of the county commissioners' between the word "city" and the word "and" in the thirtieth line thereof; and by inserting the words 'or damaged' between the word "taken" and the word "for" in the thirty-second line thereof; and by inserting the word 'such' between the word "any" and the word "street" in the thirty-fourth line thereof; and by inserting the words 'or damaged' between the word "taken" and the word "when" in the forty-fifth line thereof; and by inserting the words 'or grade' between the word "way" and the word "shall" in the fifty-first line thereof; and by inserting the words 'or grades' between the word "way" and the word "which" in the fifty-fifth line thereof; and by inserting the words 'or damage sustained' after the word "taken" and before the word "the" in the sixtieth line thereof; and by inserting the words 'or grades' after the word "streets" and before the word "and" in the sixty-fifth line thereof; and by inserting the words 'or put any street or way to the grade established' after the word "established" and before the word "until" in the sixty-ninth line thereof; also by adding to said section four the following: 'When any ordinance,



order, resolution or vote passed by the city council involving the raising, appropriation, or expenditure of money is presented to the mayor, if he approves of a part and does not approve of a part of the sums or items thereof, he shall so indicate thereon, and thereupon the sums or items so approved shall be in force from the date of said approval, and he shall return the same with his objections to the sums or items not approved by him to the city council at the next stated meeting, which shall enter the objections at large upon its records and proceed to reconsider the sums or items not approved. If after such reconsideration two-thirds of all the members of the city council shall agree to pass the sums or items not approved, or any of them, said sums or items shall be in force as if he had approved. If the mayor shall disapprove a part of the sums or items of any such bill and shall fail to approve or disapprove a part on or before the next stated meeting, the sums which he fails to approve or disapprove shall be in force as if he had approved,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 4. The city council shall secure a prompt and just accountability by requiring bonds with sufficient penalty and surety or sureties, from all persons trusted with the receipt, custody or disbursement of money; the city council shall also have the care and superintendence of the city buildings, and the custody and management of all city property and trust funds for the benefit of schools, public library, parks, cemeteries and for any other beneficial purpose, whether acquired by purchase or legacy; with power to let or sell what may be legally let or sold, and to purchase and take, in the name of the city, real and personal property for municipal purposes to an amount not exceeding two hundred thousand dollars in addition to that now held by the town; and shall, as often as once a year, cause to be published for the information of the inhabitants, a particular account of the receipts and expenditures, and a schedule of the city property and the city debt. The city council shall have power to establish by ordinance such offices as may be necessary for municipal government not provided for by this act, and to elect such subordinate officers as may be elected by towns under general laws of the state, for whose election or appointment other provision is not herein made; to define their duties and fix their compensation; to act upon all matters in which authority is now given to said town of Deering, and

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to determine what streets, if any, shall be lighted, and upon what terms. The city council shall appropriate annually the amount necessary to meet the expenditures of the city for the current municipal year. The city council shall have exclusive authority to lay out, widen, grade or otherwise alter or discontinue any and all streets or public ways in said city, except such public ways as are within the exclusive jurisdiction of the county commissioners, and as far as extreme low water mark, and to estimate all damages sustained by owners of land taken or damaged for such purpose. A committee of the council shall be appointed whose duty shall be to lay out, alter, widen, grade or discontinue any such street or way, first giving notice of the time and place of their proceedings to all parties interested, by an advertisement in two newspapers printed in Deering or Portland, for three weeks, at least, next previous to the time appointed. The committee shall first hear all parties interested and then determine and adjudge whether the public convenience requires such street or way to be laid out, widened, graded, altered or discontinued, and shall make a written return of their proceedings, signed by a majority of them, containing the bounds and description of the street or way, if laid out, widened, graded or altered, and the names of the owners of the land taken or damaged when known, and the damages allowed therefor; the return shall be filed in the city clerk's office at least seven days previous to its acceptance by the city council. The street or way shall not be altered, widened, graded or established until the report is accepted by the city council, and the report so filed shall not be altered or amended before it comes up before the city council, for action. A street or way or grade shall not be discontinued by the city council, except upon the report of said committee. The committee shall estimate and report the damages sustained by the owners of the lands adjoining that portion of the street or way or grade which is so discontinued. Their report shall be filed with the city clerk seven days at least before its acceptance. Any party aggrieved at their decision may appeal therefrom as provided by law in the case of town ways. If a street or way or grade thereof is discontinued before the damages are paid or recovered for the land taken, or damage sustained, the land owners shall not be entitled to recover such damages, but the committee in their report discontinuing the same shall estimate and include all the damages sustained by the land owner, includ-

ing those caused by the original location of the streets or grades and in such cases, if any appeal has been regularly taken, the appellant shall recover his costs. The city shall not be compelled to construct or open any street or way thus hereafter established or put any street or way to the grade established until, in the opinion of the city council, the public good requires it to be done; nor shall the city interfere with possession of the land so taken, by removing therefrom materials or otherwise, until they decide to open said street. The city council may regulate the height and width of the sidewalks in any public square, places, streets, lanes or alleys in said city; and may authorize hydrants, drinking fountains, posts and trees to be placed along the edge of sidewalks, and may locate and construct culverts and reservoirs within the limits of any street or way in said city whenever they deem it needful for protection against fire, and the city shall not be liable for any damage caused by such posts, hydrants, drinking fountains, trees and reservoirs, nor by any posts or wires erected in its streets by any parties authorized so to do. Every law, act, ordinance, resolve or order of the city council, excepting rules and orders of a parliamentary character, shall be presented to the mayor. If not approved by him he shall return it with his objections in writing at the next stated session of the city council which shall enter the objections at large on its journal and proceed to reconsider the same. If, upon such reconsideration, it shall be passed by vote of two-thirds of all the members of the board, it shall have the same force as if approved by the mayor. In case of vacancy in the mayor's office, this section shall not apply to any act of the council. In case the mayor fails to either sign or return the bill at the next stated session, then it becomes a law as though he had signed it. When any ordinance, order, resolution, or vote passed by the city council involving the raising, appropriation, or expenditure of money is presented to the mayor, if he approves of a part and does not approve of a part of the sums or items thereof, he shall so indicate thereon, and thereupon the sums and items so approved shall be in force, from the date of said approval, and he shall return the same with his objections to the sums or items not approved by him to the city council at the next stated meeting, which shall enter the objections at large upon its records and proceed to reconsider the sums or items not approved. If after such reconsideration, two-thirds of all the members of the city council shall agree to

—may regulate sidewalks, authorize hydrants, posts and trees placed.

—city not liable for damages.

—laws enacted, shall be presented to mayor.

—power to veto.

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to determine what streets, if any, shall be lighted, and upon what terms. The city council shall appropriate annually the amount necessary to meet the expenditures of the city for the current municipal year. The city council shall have exclusive authority to lay out, widen, grade or otherwise alter or discontinue any and all streets or public ways in said city, except such public ways as are within the exclusive jurisdiction of the county commissioners, and as far as extreme low water mark, and to estimate all damages sustained by owners of land taken or damaged for such purpose. A committee of the council shall be appointed whose duty shall be to lay out, alter, widen, grade or discontinue any such street or way, first giving notice of the time and place of their proceedings to all parties interested, by an advertisement in two newspapers printed in Deering or Portland, for three weeks, at least, next previous to the time appointed. The committee shall first hear all parties interested and then determine and adjudge whether the public convenience requires such street or way to be laid out, widened, graded, altered or discontinued, and shall make a written return of their proceedings, signed by a majority of them, containing the bounds and description of the street or way, if laid out, widened, graded or altered, and the names of the owners of the land taken or damaged when known, and the damages allowed therefor; the return shall be filed in the city clerk's office at least seven days previous to its acceptance by the city council. The street or way shall not be altered, widened, graded or established until the report is accepted by the city council, and the report so filed shall not be altered or amended before it comes up before the city council, for action. A street or way or grade shall not be discontinued by the city council, except upon the report of said committee. The committee shall estimate and report the damages sustained by the owners of the lands adjoining that portion of the street or way or grade which is so discontinued. Their report shall be filed with the city clerk seven days at least before its acceptance. Any party aggrieved at their decision may appeal therefrom as provided by law in the case of town ways. If a street or way or grade thereof is discontinued before the damages are paid or recovered for the land taken, or damage sustained, the land owners shall not be entitled to recover such damages, but the committee in their report discontinuing the same shall estimate and include all the damages sustained by the land owner, includ-

ing those caused by the original location of the streets or grades and in such cases, if any appeal has been regularly taken, the appellant shall recover his costs. The city shall not be compelled to construct or open any street or way thus hereafter established or put any street or way to the grade established until, in the opinion of the city council, the public good requires it to be done; nor shall the city interfere with possession of the land so taken, by removing therefrom materials or otherwise, until they decide to open said street. The city council may regulate the height and width of the sidewalks in any public square, places, streets, lanes or alleys in said city; and may authorize hydrants, drinking fountains, posts and trees to be placed along the edge of sidewalks, and may locate and construct culverts and reservoirs within the limits of any street or way in said city whenever they deem it needful for protection against fire, and the city shall not be liable for any damage caused by such posts, hydrants, drinking fountains, trees and reservoirs, nor by any posts or wires erected in its streets by any parties authorized so to do. Every law, act, ordinance, resolve or order of the city council, excepting rules and orders of a parliamentary character, shall be presented to the mayor. If not approved by him he shall return it with his objections in writing at the next stated session of the city council which shall enter the objections at large on its journal and proceed to reconsider the same. If, upon such reconsideration, it shall be passed by vote of two-thirds of all the members of the board, it shall have the same force as if approved by the mayor. In case of vacancy in the mayor's office, this section shall not apply to any act of the council. In case the mayor fails to either sign or return the bill at the next stated session, then it becomes a law as though he had signed it. When any ordinance, order, resolution, or vote passed by the city council involving the raising, appropriation, or expenditure of money is presented to the mayor, if he approves of a part and does not approve of a part of the sums or items thereof, he shall so indicate thereon, and thereupon the sums and items so approved shall be in force, from the date of said approval, and he shall return the same with his objections to the sums or items not approved by him to the city council at the next stated meeting, which shall enter the objections at large upon its records and proceed to reconsider the sums or items not approved. If after such reconsideration, two-thirds of all the members of the city council shall agree to

—may regulate sidewalks, authorize hydrants, posts and trees placed.

—city not liable for damages.

—laws enacted, shall be presented to mayor.

—power to veto.

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pass the sums or items not approved, or any of them, said sums and items shall be in force as if he had approved. If the mayor shall disapprove a part of the sums or items of any such bill and shall fail to approve or disapprove a part, on or before the next stated meeting, the sums which he fails to approve or disapprove shall be in force as if he had approved.'

Section 14,  
amended.

Sect. 4. Section fourteen of chapter five hundred and six of the special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine is hereby amended by inserting the words 'except by vote of the city council' after the word "purpose" and before the word "and" in the thirteenth line thereof; and by inserting the same words 'except by vote of the city council' after the word "city" and before the word "until" in the fourteenth line thereof, and by adding at the end of said section the following: 'Unexpended balances of annual appropriations shall at the end of such financial year become a part of the general balance in the treasury. A city auditor shall be elected annually by vote of the people. He shall perform all the duties now incumbent upon auditors of towns, and such other duties, and in such manner, as the city council shall by ordinance determine. He shall have the custody and control of the current expenditure books of the city, and shall cause to be entered therein all appropriations made by the city council; and he shall charge against the several appropriations all expenditures of the city which are properly approved by the department or committee contracting the same. He shall approve no bills until the city council shall have provided by appropriation funds sufficient to meet the same in the account against which said bill is to be charged, and the clerk of the council shall have certified the same to him, except as herein before provided. The treasurer shall pay no bills until they are so approved by the auditor. The auditor shall annually before the election, publish a detailed report of the expenditures of the city for the fiscal year. The auditor shall qualify by oath or affirmation. In case of a vacancy in the office of auditor, the city council shall elect some suitable person to fill the vacancy. In case of temporary incapacity, the city council shall elect some suitable person to perform the duties of the auditor, until such incapacity shall have been removed. The auditor's books shall be open to public inspection.' So that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Passage of  
ordi-  
nances, in-

'Sect. 14. In case any ordinance, order, resolution or vote involves the appropriation or expenditure of money to an

amount which may exceed three hundred dollars, the laying of an assessment or the granting to a person or corporation of any right in, over or under any street or other public ground of said city, the affirmative votes of a majority of all the members of the city council shall be necessary for its passage. Every such ordinance, order, resolution or vote, shall be read twice, with an interval of at least three days between the two readings, before being finally passed, and the vote upon its final passage shall be taken by roll call. No sum appropriated for a specific purpose shall be expended for any other purpose, except by vote of the city council, and no expenditure shall be made, nor liability incurred by or in behalf of the city, except by vote of the city council, until an appropriation has been duly voted by the city council, sufficient to meet such expenditure or liability, together with all unpaid liabilities which are payable out of such appropriation; provided, however, that after the expiration of the financial year, and until the passage of the regular annual appropriations, liabilities payable out of a regular appropriation to be contained therein may be incurred to an amount not exceeding one quarter of the total of such appropriation for the preceding year. No money shall be paid out of the city treasury, except on orders signed by the mayor, designating the fund or appropriation from which said orders are to be paid. Unexpended balances of annual appropriations shall, at the end of each financial year, become a part of the general balance in the treasury. A city auditor shall be elected annually by vote of the people. He shall perform all the duties now incumbent upon auditors of towns, and such other duties, and in such manner, as the city council shall by ordinance determine. He shall have the custody and control of the current expenditure books of the city, and shall cause to be entered therein all appropriations made by the city council; and he shall charge against the several appropriations all expenditures of the city which are properly approved by the department or committee contracting the same. He shall approve no bills until the city council shall have provided, by appropriation, funds sufficient to meet the same in the account against which said bill is to be charged, and the clerk of the council shall have certified the same to him, except as hereinbefore provided. The treasurer shall pay no bills until they are so approved by the auditor. The auditor shall annually before the election publish a detailed report of the expenditures of the city for the fiscal year. The auditor shall qualify by oath

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volving expenditure of money, etc., shall be by majority vote.

—how ordinances, etc., shall be passed.

Money appropriated for specific purpose, shall be expended for such purpose only.

—money shall not be paid out, except on order of mayor.

—city auditor, election of and duties.

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—vacan-  
cies, how  
filled.

or affirmation. In case of a vacancy in the office of auditor, the city council shall elect some suitable person to fill the vacancy. In case of temporary incapacity, the city council shall elect some suitable person to perform the duties of the auditor until such incapacity shall have been removed. The auditor's books shall be open to public inspection.'

Section 15,  
amended.

Sect. 5. Section fifteen of chapter five hundred six of the special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, as amended by section two of chapter four hundred and thirty-nine of the special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, is hereby amended by striking out the words "for the aldermen and ward officers shall be residents of the ward or district where elected, provided, however," in the thirty-first, thirty-second and thirty-third lines thereof, and inserting in place thereof, the sentence; 'The aldermen shall be elected, one by each ward, and four by the voters of the whole city; the aldermen of the wards and the ward officers shall be residents of the wards by which they are elected,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Proceed-  
ings for or-  
ganization  
of city gov-  
ernment.

'Sect. 15. For the purpose of organizing the system of government hereby established, and putting the same in operation in the first instance, the selectmen of the town shall, at least seven days before the first Monday of March, after the acceptance of this charter, issue their warrant for calling a meeting of the legal voters at such place and hour of the day as they shall choose, for the purpose of choosing a mayor, seven aldermen, an auditor and seven constables to be taken from the city at large; said officers shall be elected by a plurality vote. The town clerk shall notify the several officers elect of their election, in writing, within twenty-four hours. Their powers and duties shall be as herein provided. It shall be the duty of the city

—wards.

council, as soon as may be after their election, to cause a division of the city into seven wards in such manner as to include as nearly as may be, consistently with well defined limits, an equal number of legal voters in each ward. After such division into wards, ward meetings of the legal voters thereof shall be called, which meetings shall be presided over by some person appointed by the city council, and the records of said first meetings in the several wards shall be made by some person designated by the city council, and at said first meetings lists of voters, corrected by the aldermen, shall be delivered to the persons designated to act as recording officers in the several wards, to be used as provided by law, in town meetings. Said record-



ing officers shall perform the duties of ward clerks, as hereinbefore provided, relative to making a record of the election and returning a copy of the records to the city council. On the first Monday in March, annually thereafter, the qualified voters of each ward shall vote on one ballot for city and ward officers, as hereinafter provided. The aldermen shall be elected one by each ward, and four by the voters of the whole city; the aldermen of the wards and the ward officers shall be residents of the wards by which they are elected. If there shall be no choice of alderman or other ward officer on said day the ward meeting may be adjourned from day to day to complete said election. And all officers shall be elected by ballot by a plurality of the votes given, and shall hold their offices one year from the second Monday in March, and until others shall be elected and qualified in their places; all city and ward officers shall be held to discharge the duties of the offices to which they have been respectively elected, notwithstanding the removal after their election, out of their respective wards into any other wards in the city, but they shall not so be held after they have taken up their permanent residence out of the city; the ward clerk, within twenty-four hours after such election shall deliver to the ward officers elected, certificates of their election, and shall forthwith deliver to the city clerk a certified copy of the record of such election, a plain and intelligible abstract of which shall be entered by the city clerk upon the city records. The city council shall, as soon as conveniently may be, examine the records of the several wards certified as aforesaid, and shall cause the person who shall have been elected mayor, and such persons as have been elected to other offices by vote of the city at large to be notified in writing of their election. If it shall appear that no person has been elected mayor, or if there shall be a failure to elect in the case of any other office, or if any person elected to an office shall refuse to accept the same, the said board shall issue their warrants for another election; and in case of a vacancy in the office of mayor or alderman by death, resignation or otherwise, it shall be filled for the remainder of the term by a new election, to be called as herein provided, and held within twenty days after the vacancy occurs. The oath, or affirmation, prescribed by this act shall be administered to the mayor by the city clerk, or any justice of the peace in said city. The aldermen elect shall meet on the second Monday in March at seven o'clock in the evening,

—annual meetings, and proceedings.

—election of aldermen and ward officers.

—if no choice on first day, meeting shall be adjourned to complete election.

—tenure.

—city and ward officers moving into other wards, shall be held to discharge of duties of office, to which elected.

—clerk shall deliver certificate to ward officers.

—if no person is elected mayor or other officer, another election shall be held.

—vacancy, how filled.

—how mayor and aldermen shall qualify.

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—regular  
and special  
meetings,  
how called.

when the oath, or affirmation, required by the second section of this act shall be administered to the members present by the mayor or any justice of the peace. The city council shall, by ordinance, determine the times of holding stated or regular meetings of the board, and shall also in like manner determine the manner of calling special meetings and the persons by whom the same shall be called, but, until otherwise provided by ordinance, special meetings shall be called by the mayor by causing a notification to be given in hand or left at the usual residence of each member.'

Section 34,  
amended.

Sect. 6. Part I of section thirty-four of chapter five hundred and six of the special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following: 'The provisions of this section relating to the constructions of sewers and the expenses and assessments for the same, shall apply to all sewers already constructed or hereafter to be constructed,' so that the same, as amended, shall read as follows:

City coun-  
cil may  
maintain  
drains and  
sewers.

'Sect. 34. I. The city council may make, lay and maintain all such main drains or common sewers, as they adjudge to be necessary for the public convenience or the public health, through the public streets, or through the lands of any person or corporation, and may repair the same whenever it is necessary, as hereinafter provided. All such drains and sewers shall be the property of the city, and shall be constructed in such manner and shall be of such dimensions as the city council shall deem best. The provisions of this section relating to the construction of sewers and the expenses and assessments for the same shall apply to all sewers already constructed or hereafter to be constructed.'

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ions of this  
section,  
shall apply  
to all  
sewers.

Part III,  
section 34,  
amended.

Sect. 7. Part III of said section thirty-four is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following: 'Additions may be made from time to time to such plans and estimates, for the same or other localities as the city council shall direct,' so that the same, as amended, shall read as follows:

Locations,  
estimates  
and plans  
of drains,  
shall be  
made and  
recorded.

'III. The city council, as soon as convenient after its first meeting, shall determine what localities within the city limits, and streets of said localities are in need of drains or sewers, and thereupon cause to be made accurate plans and estimates of cost of main drains or sewers, with their out falls and receptacles needed in said localities, setting forth full details of costs of each main and needed branches connected therewith, with costs of each branch, using the results of the survey and estimates made

in compliance with the appropriation of the town of Deering, under article twenty-three of the warrant for the annual town meeting of said town in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and eighty-eight, so far as applicable, and cause the same to be recorded and carefully preserved in record books prepared expressly for the purpose, but kept ready at all times for public inspection. Additions may be made from time to time to such plans and estimates, for the same or other localities as the city council shall direct.'

—additions  
may be  
made.

Sect. 8. Part V of said section thirty-four is hereby amended by striking all of said part of said section and substituting instead thereof the following:

Part V,  
amended.

'V. After the approval by the city council of the plans and estimates made in accordance herewith the city council may, after public notice of not less than ten days and a hearing, proceed to construct any of such drains and sewers in manner herein provided as the same are or shall be needed.'

After ap-  
proval of  
plans, coun-  
cil may  
proceed to  
construct.

Sect. 9. Said section thirty-four is hereby further amended by adding at the end of said section the following:

Section 34,  
amended.

'XII. The city may under such regulations or ordinances as the city council may establish, construct sidewalks or foot ways laid with brick, flat stones, concrete or other material with suitable curbs, on any street or portion thereof, and direct not exceeding one-half the cost of the same to be assessed on adjacent lots; and for that purpose may direct the curb to be set at any time previous to the construction of the walk, and may cause the cost of the curb and the cost of the paving of the walk to be assessed separately as either is or may be constructed. When such walks or such curbs or such paving, separately, are completed, the city council shall assess upon the adjacent lots or parcels of land and against the owners thereof, if known, as betterments, an amount not exceeding fifty per cent of the cost thereof, and the city council shall certify to the treasurer of the city the amount assessed upon each lot or parcel of land so assessed and the name of the owner of each lot or parcel of land, if known, with directions to collect the same according to law; and such assessments shall create a lien upon each and every lot or parcel of land so assessed, and the collection of such assessments may be enforced in the same way as is provided in this section for the collection of assessments made for drains and sewers. Said assessments may, at any time, be corrected by the city council on due notice and hearing, and in such case may be certified

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lien on  
lots.

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not be void,  
by reason  
of error in  
name of  
owner.

anew to the treasurer. No assessment shall be void by reason of error in the name of the owner or occupant of the lot assessed, provided the lot assessed is so described that the same may be distinctly known. Such walks shall forever thereafter be maintained and kept in order by said city.'

Sect. 10. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 20, 1897.

### Chapter 481.

An Act to extend an act, entitled "An Act to supply the people of South Gardiner Village in the City of Gardiner, with pure water.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Charter ex-  
tended two  
years.

The charter granted to Sherburne Lawrence, Hiram Lawrence, Charles Lawrence and Van R. Beedle and their associates and successors, by chapter five hundred and twenty-one of the private and special laws of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, to supply the people of South Gardiner village with pure water, is hereby extended two years from the seventeenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

Approved March 20, 1897.

### Chapter 482.

An Act to amend An Act incorporating the Saco River Telegraph and Telephone Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Charter  
amended.

Sect. 1. Section three of chapter four hundred thirty-two of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine as amended by chapter one hundred and three of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, is hereby further amended by adding after the word "of" in the fifth line the word 'Alfred,' so as, when amended, it will read as follows:

May erect  
lines along  
highways.

'Sect. 3. For the purposes of this act, said corporation shall have, and the power is hereby granted, to erect and locate its lines along and upon the highways, streets and bridges as now

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or hereafter traveled by the teams carrying the United States mail through the towns of Alfred, Waterborough, Shapleigh, Acton, Newfield, Limington and Cornish, in the county of York, and in the town of Standish in the county of Cumberland, or upon town roads in said towns in county of York and town of Standish, if deemed advisable, but in such a manner as not to incommode or endanger the customary and public use thereof, and the company may cut down any trees standing within the limits of said highways, streets or bridges, except fruit, ornamental or shade trees, when necessary for the erection, use and safety of its lines.'

—route.

—shall not  
endanger  
use of  
streets.

Sect. 2. Section two of chapter four hundred and thirty-two of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, is hereby amended by striking out the word "Saco" in the third line of said section and inserting in place thereof the word 'Biddeford,' and by inserting after the word "through" in the fourth line the words 'the city of Saco and,' and by striking out all of said section after the word "Standish" in the fifth line thereof and inserting the following words in place thereof: 'And branch lines within said towns. The location of all poles and lines under this charter are to be subject to such regulations as the municipal officers of said cities and towns shall prescribe,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 2,  
chapter 482,  
laws, 1889,  
amended.

'Sect. 2. Said corporation is hereby empowered and authorized to own, construct, maintain and operate from some point in the city of Biddeford, a line or lines of telegraph and telephone through the city of Saco and the towns of Buxton, Hollis and Standish, and branch lines within said towns. The location of all poles and lines under this charter are to be subject to such regulations as the municipal officers of said cities and towns shall prescribe.'

Authorized  
to con-  
struct lines  
of tele-  
phone.

—route.

Approved March 20, 1887.

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## Chapter 483.

An Act to incorporate the Machias Lake Dam and Improvement Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Corpora-  
tors.

—corporate  
name.

Authorized  
to build  
dams and  
improve  
Machias  
lakes.

—may take  
land and  
materials.

—dam-  
ages, how  
ascertained  
in case of dis-  
agreement.

Tolls  
granted.

—shall have  
lien on logs  
for same.

—how en-  
forced.

Sect. 1. John K. Ames, Frank S. Ames, Alfred K. Ames, Charles Bartlett Albee, Bion B. Albee, their associates and assigns, are hereby incorporated under the name of the Machias Lake Dam and Improvement Company, with all the powers and privileges of similar corporations.

Sect. 2. Said corporation is authorized to build dams, side dams, remove rocks and make all other necessary improvements in Machias lakes and Machias lake stream to facilitate the driving of logs and lumber down the same, and for this purpose the said corporation may take land and materials necessary to build such dams, and make such improvements; and may flow contiguous lands so far as necessary to raise suitable heads of water. And if the parties cannot agree upon the damages the corporation shall pay the proprietors of the land and materials so taken, such damages as shall be ascertained and determined by the county commissioners for the county of Washington, in such manner, and under the same conditions and limitations as are by law provided in the case of damage by laying out public highways. And for the damage occasioned by flowing land, the said corporation shall not be liable to an action at common law, but persons injured may have a remedy by a complaint for flowing, in which the same proceedings shall be had as when a complaint is made under a statute of this state for flowing lands, occasioned by raising a head of water for the working of mills.

Sect. 3. The said corporation may demand and receive a toll for the passage of logs over or through their said dams and improvements of twelve cents per thousand feet, board measure, woods scale, for all logs landed above the dam called the Machias lake dam. And said corporation shall have a lien upon all logs and lumber which may pass over any of its dams and improvements, for the payment of said tolls; but the logs of each particular mark shall be holden only for the tolls of such mark, and unless such toll is paid within twenty days after such logs or lumber, or a major part of the same, shall arrive at the place of manufacture or destination, said corporation may enforce said lien in the manner provided in sections

thirty-eight and thirty-nine of chapter ninety-one of the revised statutes for enforcing liens on logs and lumber. CHAP. 484

Sect. 4. When said corporation shall have received from tolls its outlay on dams and improvements, and the repairs made up to that time and eight per cent interest, then the tolls shall be reduced, pro rata, to a sum sufficient to keep the works in repair. When tolls shall be reduced.

Sect. 5. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 20, 1897.

### Chapter 484.

An Act to incorporate the Kittery and Eliot Street Railway Company, and to authorize the construction of the same across navigable tide waters.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Frank E. Rowell, Horace Mitchell, Willard T. Spinney and James H. Walker of Kittery in the county of York, and J. L. M. Willis, H. I. Durgin and T. F. Staples of Eliot in said county, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby made and constituted a body corporate, by the name of the Kittery and Eliot Street Railway Company, for the purpose of constructing and operating street railways. Corporators.  
  
—corporate name.

Sect. 2. The capital stock shall not exceed two hundred thousand dollars and be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each. Capital stock.

Sect. 3. The company shall have the right, from the going into force of this act, of constructing, maintaining and operating a line or lines of single or double track railway, with the necessary side tracks, switches and turnouts, and other appliances for operating its cars upon and along the following streets, roads or highways of the towns of Kittery and Eliot, commencing at some convenient point on Government street in said town of Kittery, thence upon and along the highway leading to South Eliot, over the bridge across the navigable tide waters of Spinney's creek, and through said South Eliot in a northerly direction upon and along the main or shore road to Sturgeon creek, so called, in said town of Eliot. Authorized to construct railway.  
  
—location.

Sect. 4. Said company may purchase and hold or lease real estate in said towns of Kittery and Eliot for railway purposes, and also for the purpose of car houses, power houses and waiting May hold real estate.

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—how land  
may be  
taken.

May use  
animal or  
electrical  
power.

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rooms, to the amount deemed necessary by the directors. And in case the company is unable to agree with the owners of the land required under this section, and necessary for the convenience of the company, the taking of such land shall be done as provided in chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes.

Sect. 5. Said railroad shall be occupied and used by said company with animal or electrical power. The municipal officers of each of said towns shall have power at all times to make all such regulations valid and binding within the limits of their towns only, as to the rate of speed of cars or trains, and the removal of snow and ice from the streets, roads and highways from and alongside of its tracks at the expense of said railway company, as the public convenience and safety may require.

Sect. 6. The tracks of said company shall be laid in such parts of the streets, roads or highways as the municipal officers of either of said towns shall direct; and poles may be set at convenient places and distances along the streets, roads or highways over which the tracks of the railroad shall be laid, from which trolley wires may be suspended for the operation of cars by electricity, at such points as the municipal officers may direct.

Sect. 7. Said road shall be constructed in such form and manner and with such rails and appliances that so much of the streets, roads and ways as are occupied thereby shall be safe and convenient for travelers, and said road shall be liable in an action on the case for any loss or damage which any person may sustain by reason of any failure to comply with this provision.

Sect. 8. The company may lay its tracks across the tracks of any steam railroad, but the manner and terms of the crossing shall be determined by the railroad commissioners before the crossing is made.

Sect. 9. Said company is hereby authorized to lease all of its property and franchises on such terms as it may determine; also to consolidate with or to acquire by lease, purchase, or otherwise, the lines, property and franchises of any other street railway, whose lines as constructed or chartered would form connecting or continuing lines with the lines of this company, and in such case this company shall be entitled to all the privileges, and be subject to all appropriate conditions and limitations contained in the charters thus united with or acquired. Whenever any person or corporation shall be lawfully operating any street railway to any point to which this company's tracks extend,



this company may enter upon, connect with and use the same on such terms and in such manner as may be agreed upon between the parties.

Sect. 10. The company shall keep and maintain in repair, such portion of the streets, town or county roads as shall be occupied by the tracks of its railroad, and shall make all other repairs of said streets or roads which may be rendered necessary by the occupation of the same by said railroad, and if not repaired upon reasonable notice, such repairs may be made by the town in which the necessity exists, at the expense of said company, and said town may recover all expenses in an action of money paid for the use of said railway company. Said company shall be liable for any loss or damage which any person may sustain by reason of any carelessness, neglect or misconduct of its agents or servants, or by reason of any defect in so much of said streets or roads as is occupied by said railway, if such defect arises from neglect or misconduct of the company, its servants or agents.

Shall keep such portion of streets, occupied by it, in repair.

—liable for damage caused by neglect.

Sect. 11. If any person shall willfully and maliciously obstruct said corporation in the use of its road or tracks, or the passing of the cars of said company thereon, such person, and all who shall aid and abet therein, shall be fined not exceeding two hundred dollars, or imprisoned in a county jail not exceeding sixty days.

Penalty for obstructing use of road.

Sect. 12. Said company may, from time to time, fix such rates of compensation for transporting persons or property, as it may deem expedient, and generally shall have the powers and be subject to all the liabilities of corporations as set forth in the forty-sixth chapter of the revised statutes and amendments thereto.

May fix rates of transportation.

Sect. 13. Said corporation may change the location of said railroad by first obtaining the written consent of the municipal officers of said towns, and make additional locations on the afore mentioned highways subject to the foregoing provisions and conditions, but in no event to cross or go north of said Sturgeon creek.

May change location, by consent of town officers.

Sect. 14. Nothing in this act shall be construed to prevent the proper authorities of said towns from entering upon and temporarily taking up the soil in any street, town or county road occupied by said railroad, for any purposes for which they may now lawfully take up the same.

Power of town authorities, over streets shall not be restricted.

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Exclu-  
sive right  
granted.

Sect. 15. No other corporation or persons shall be permitted to construct or maintain any railroad for similar purposes over the same streets, roads or ways, that may be lawfully occupied by this corporation.

Towns shall  
not be lia-  
ble for neg-  
ligence of  
railway.

Sect. 16. Said towns of Kittery and Eliot shall not be liable to pay for any damage to persons or property occasioned by any negligence or fault of said railway during construction.

May issue  
bonds and  
mortgage  
property.

Sect. 17. The directors of this company may, from time to time, raise or borrow for the use and purposes of the company, any sum or sums not exceeding two hundred thousand dollars, by the issue of bonds or debentures in sums of not less than one hundred dollars, and not exceeding the amount of capital stock subscribed for, on such terms and credit as they may think proper, and may pledge or mortgage all the tools, property, franchise and income of the company or any part thereof, for the repayment of the money so raised or borrowed, and the interest thereon, provided, always, that the consent of a majority in value of the stockholders of the company, shall be first had and obtained at a regular or special meeting to be called and held for that purpose.

First meet-  
ing, how  
called.

Sect. 18. The first meeting of the incorporation under this act, may be called by either of the incorporators giving notice to the others in writing, at least seven days before the time of said meeting, of the time and place of said meeting.

Sect. 19. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 20, 1897.

## Chapter 485.

An Act to incorporate the Lubec Electric Light and Power Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Corpora-  
tors.

Sect. 1. Clarence H. Clark, Bion M. Pike, Clarence E. Watts, Charles J. Staples, Robert G. McBride, Alexander B. Sumner and Jacob C. Pike, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby made a body corporate by the name of Lubec Electric Light and Power Company, with all the powers, rights and privileges, and subject to all the duties and obligations conferred and imposed on corporations by law, except as otherwise provided herein.

—corporate  
name.

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Sect. 2. Said company is authorized and empowered to carry on the business of lighting by electricity, such public streets of the town of Lubec, and such buildings and places therein, public and private, as may be agreed upon by said corporation and the owners or those having control of such places to be lighted; and may furnish motive power by electricity within the limits of said town of Lubec; and may build and operate manufacturing works for the providing and supplying of electricity and light and power, and may lease, purchase and hold real and personal estate for the proper objects of the corporation, to the amount of twenty thousand dollars, and to construct, lay, maintain and operate lines of wire or other material for the transmission of electricity, submarine, under ground, upon, under and along and over any and all streets and ways, under the direction of the municipal officers of said Lubec; and in public places in such a manner as not to endanger the appropriate public use thereof, and to establish and maintain, under direction of said municipal officers, all necessary posts, pipes, supports, and appurtenances, and terminating at such points as may be expedient.

May light streets.

—furnish motive power.

—build works, etc.

—may lay and operate lines of wire, under direction of municipal officers.

Sect. 3. For the erecting said wires above ground and for laying the same, or pipes thereof, submarine or under ground, and for taking up, replacing and repairing the same, said company shall first obtain the consent of the municipal officers of said town, and perform all said acts as directed by said municipal officers; and said company shall repay to said Lubec any sum which said town may have been compelled to pay on any judgment for any damages caused by a defect or want of repair in the streets or ways thereof, due to the neglect of said company, or on any judgment for damages caused by the negligence of said company in the erecting and maintaining of any posts, wires or appurtenances connected with said business.

Shall first obtain consent of town officers.

Sect. 4. Said company, at its own expense, without unnecessary delay, shall remove any and all obstructions in any street or way, made in erecting or laying the lines for such purposes, and cause earth disturbed to be properly replaced. It shall not be allowed to obstruct or impair the use of any public or private drain, or gas pipe, or sewer, telegraph or telephone wire, but may cross, or when necessary, change the direction of any private wire or pipe, drain or sewer, in such manner as not to obstruct or impair the use thereof, being responsible to the

Shall not obstruct streets.

—shall not impair use of any public drain, etc.

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owner or other person for any injury occasioned thereby, in an action on the case.

Damages for land, how estimated if parties cannot agree.

Sect. 5. Damages for any land taken for the purposes of erecting or laying said lines, if the parties cannot agree, shall be estimated, secured and paid as in the case of lands taken for railroads.

Liable for depreciating value of private property.

Sect. 6. Nothing contained in this act shall be construed to affect or diminish the liability of said corporation for any injury to private property, by depreciating the value thereof or otherwise, but any legal remedies existing shall continue.

Selectmen shall have power to control acts of corporation.

Sect. 7. The selectmen of said Lubec, for the time being, shall, at all times, have the power to regulate and control the acts and doings of said corporation, which may in any manner affect the health or safety, or become a nuisance to the inhabitants of said town.

Capital stock.

Sect. 8. The capital stock of said company shall not exceed ten thousand dollars, divided into shares of fifty dollars each.

May issue bonds and mortgage property.

Sect. 9. Said company is hereby authorized to issue bonds for the construction of its works upon such rates and time, and in such amount as it may deem necessary, not to exceed ten thousand dollars in all, and not to exceed the amount of capital stock subscribed for, and to secure the same by mortgage or deed of trust upon its franchise and property.

First meeting, how called.

Sect. 10. Any two of the corporators named in this act may call the first meeting of the corporation by mailing a written notice, signed by both, postage paid, to each of the corporators, seven days at least before the day of the meeting, naming the time, place and purpose of said meeting; a president, secretary and directors may be chosen, by-laws adopted, and any corporate business transacted.

Act may be accepted by majority vote of members.

Sect. 11. This act may be accepted at any regular meeting of said association by a majority of the members present.

Sect. 12. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 20, 1897.

**Chapter 486.**

An Act to incorporate the Old Stream Dam and Improvement Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. John K. Ames, William C. Holway, Samuel M. Holway, Frank S. Ames, Alfred K. Ames, their associates and assigns, are hereby incorporated under the name of the Old Stream Dam and Improvement Company, with all the powers of similar corporations.

Corpora-  
tors.

—corporate  
name.

Sect. 2. Said corporation is authorized to build dams, side dams, remove rocks and make all other necessary improvements in Old stream to facilitate the driving of logs and lumber down the same, and for this purpose the said corporation may take lands and materials necessary to build such dams and make such improvements; and may flow contiguous lands so far as necessary to raise suitable heads of water, and if the parties cannot agree upon the damages, the corporation shall pay the proprietors of the land and materials so taken, such damages as shall be ascertained and determined by the county commissioners for the county of Washington, in the same manner and under the same conditions and limitations as are by law provided in the case of damage by laying out public highways. And for the damage occasioned by flowing land, the said corporation shall not be liable to an action at common law, but persons injured may have a remedy by a complaint for flowing, in which the same proceedings shall be had as when a complaint is made under a statute of this state for flowing lands, occasioned by raising a head of water for the working of mills.

Author-  
ized to  
build dams  
and im-  
prove Old  
stream.

—may take  
land.

—may flow  
lands.

—damages,  
how ascer-  
tained in  
case of dis-  
agreement.

—damage  
for flowage.

Sect. 3. The said corporation may demand and receive a toll for the passage of logs over or through their said dams and improvements of ten cents per thousand feet, board measure, woods scale, for all logs landed above the Air Line road, and six cents per thousand upon all logs landed below said road, and said corporation shall have a lien upon all logs and lumber which may pass over any of its dams and improvements, for the payment of said tolls; but the logs of each particular mark shall be holden only for the tolls of such mark, and unless such toll is paid within twenty days after such logs or lumber or a major part of the same, shall arrive at the place of manufacture or destination, said corporation may enforce said lien in the manner provided in sections thirty-eight and thirty-nine of chapter

Tolls  
granted.

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When tolls  
shall be re-  
duced.

ninety-one of the revised statutes, for enforcing liens on logs and lumber.

Sect. 4. When said corporation shall have received from tolls its outlay on dams and improvements, and the repairs made up to that time, and eight per cent interest, then the tolls shall be reduced, pro rata, to a sum sufficient to keep the works in repair.

Sect. 5. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 20, 1897.

### Chapter 487.

An Act to amend Section one, Chapter twenty-six of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, relating to the taxation of plantations Letter E, twenty-seven, Franklin, E, Franklin County and Lang, forty-five Franklin, two, Range three, West Bingham's Kennebec Purchase.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 1,  
chapter 26,  
private  
laws, 1887,  
amended.

Sect. 1. Section one of chapter twenty-six of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven is hereby amended by striking out all of line eleven of said section which reads "Letter E, twenty-seven, Franklin, E, Franklin county," and inserting therefor, 'Lang, forty-five, Franklin, two, Range three, West Bingham's Kennebec Purchase.'

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 20, 1897.

### Chapter 488.

An Act relating to Chapter three hundred twenty of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Kennebago Railroad Company."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Charter ex-  
tended two  
years.

Sect. 1. All the provisions of chapter three hundred twenty of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to the incorporation of the Kennebago Railroad Company, are hereby extended for and during the term of two years from January first, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven; and said company is hereby authorized to organize and com-

mence the construction of its railroad at any time during that term, subject to all the conditions and provisions named in said act.

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Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 23, 1897.

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### Chapter 489.

An Act relating to and amendatory of Chapter twenty-nine, Special Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Kennebec Light and Heat Company."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The Kennebec Light and Heat Company is hereby authorized and empowered to take up, cancel and retire its bonds already issued and the mortgage securing the same, and for that purpose may issue bonds for the payment of, or the refunding of its indebtedness, also for the further construction of its works, for such an amount and upon such rate and time as it may deem expedient and necessary, not to exceed the sum of fifty thousand dollars in addition to the amount of its present bonded indebtedness, and may secure the same by a mortgage or deed of trust of its franchise, or franchises, property and estate owned by or to be hereafter acquired by said corporation, but said mortgage shall not diminish the security of its bonds, heretofore issued by said corporation, remaining unpaid.

Company  
authorized  
to fund  
debt.

—may mort-  
gage  
franchises  
and prop-  
erty.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 23, 1897.

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### Chapter 490.

An Act additional to, and to extend the charter of the Cumberland Illuminating Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The Cumberland Illuminating Company is authorized and empowered to store, use, supply and distribute compressed air for any purpose for which it is authorized to supply gas and electricity; and may erect and maintain all suitable appliances, machinery and reservoirs therefor, and may lay all necessary pipes, conduits and other necessary appliances and

Company  
may supply  
compressed  
air.

**CHAP. 491** fixtures therefor, and in the manner and under the conditions provided in the charter of said company for the distribution of gas and electricity; and all the rights, powers and privileges of said company granted by its charter and the renewal or extension thereof, are hereby further granted and extended for two years from and after the approval of this act.

—charter  
extended  
two years.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 23, 1897.

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## Chapter 491.

An Act to incorporate the Lewiston Trust and Safe Deposit Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Corpora-  
tors.

Sect. 1. George R. Swasey, E. A. Mulliken, R. E. Atwood, Edwin F. Scruton, John F. Lamb, Frank L. Noble and Ralph W. Crockett, or such of them as may by vote accept this charter, with their associates, successors and assigns are hereby made a body corporate and politic, to be known as the Lewiston Trust and Safe Deposit Company, and as such shall be possessed of all the powers, privileges and immunities and subject to all the duties and obligations conferred on corporations by law.

—corporate  
name.

Location.

Sect. 2. The corporation hereby created shall be located at Lewiston, Androscoggin county, Maine.

Purposes.

Sect. 3. The purposes of said corporation and the business which it may perform, are: first, to receive on deposit, money, coin, bank notes, evidences of debt, accounts of individuals, companies, corporations, municipalities and states, allowing interest thereon, if agreed, or as the by-laws of said corporation may provide; second, to borrow money, to loan money on credits or real estate or personal security, and to negotiate loans and sales for others; third, to own and maintain safe deposit vaults, with boxes, safes and other facilities therein to be rented to other parties for the safe keeping of moneys, securities, stocks, jewelry, plate, valuable papers and documents, and other property susceptible of being deposited therein, and may receive on deposit for safe keeping, property of any kind entrusted to it for that purpose; fourth, to act as agent for issuing, registering and countersigning certificates, bonds, stocks, and all evidences of debt or ownership in property; fifth, to hold by grant, assign-



ment, transfer, devise or bequest, any real or personal property or trusts duly created, and to execute trusts of every description; sixth, to act as assignee, receiver, executor, and no surety shall be necessary upon the bond of the corporation, unless the court or officer approving such bond shall require it; seventh, to do in general all the business that may lawfully be done by a trust and banking company, but said corporation shall not have the power or authority to establish branches.

Sect. 4. The capital stock of said corporation shall not be less than fifty thousand dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, with the right to increase the said capital stock at any time by a vote of the shareholders to any amount not exceeding five hundred thousand dollars. Said corporation shall not commence business as a trust or banking company, until stock to the amount of at least fifty thousand dollars shall have been subscribed and paid in, in cash.

Capital stock not to exceed \$500,000.

—shall not commence business until \$50,000 has been paid in.

Sect. 5. Said corporation shall not make any loan or discount on the security of the shares of its own capital stock, nor be the purchaser or holder of any such shares unless necessary to prevent loss upon a debt previously contracted in good faith; and all stock so acquired shall within six months from the time of its acquisition be disposed of at public or private sale.

Shall not make loans on its own capital stock.

Sect. 6. All the corporate powers of this corporation shall be exercised by a board of trustees, who shall be residents of this state, whose number and term of office shall be determined by a vote of the shareholders at the first meeting held by the incorporators and at each annual meeting thereafter. The affairs and powers of the corporation may, at the option of the shareholders, be entrusted to an executive board of five members, to be, by vote of the shareholders, elected from the full board of trustees. The trustees of said corporation shall be sworn to the proper discharge of their duties, and they shall hold office until others are elected and qualified in their stead. If a trustee or director dies, resigns, or becomes disqualified for any cause, the remaining trustees or directors may appoint a person to fill the vacancy until the next annual meeting of the corporation. The oath of office of such trustee or director shall be taken within thirty days of his election, or his office shall become vacant. The clerk of such corporation shall, within ten days, notify such trustees or directors of their election, and within

Board of trustees.

—executive board.

Trustees shall be sworn.

—vacancies, how filled.

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thirty days shall publish the list of all persons who have taken the oath of office as trustees or directors.

Board of  
invest-  
ment.

—shall keep  
record of all  
loans.

—how loans  
may be  
made to of-  
ficers.

Eligibility  
of directors.

Reserve  
fund.

Trust funds  
shall con-  
stitute  
special de-  
posit.

—trust de-  
partment.

Adminis-  
trators,  
etc., may

Sect. 7. The board of trustees or directors of said corporation shall constitute the board of investment of said corporation. Said trustees or directors shall keep in a separate book, specially provided for the purpose, a record of all loans, and investments of every description, made by said institution substantially in the order of time when such loans or investments are made, which shall show that such loans or investments have been made with the approval of the investment committee of said corporation, which shall indicate such particulars respecting such loans or investments as the bank examiner shall direct. This book shall be submitted to the trustees or directors and to the bank examiner whenever requested. Such loans or investments shall be classified in the book as the bank examiner shall direct. No loan shall be made to any officer or director of said banking or trust company except by the unanimous approval of the executive board in writing, and said corporation shall have no authority to hire money or to give notes unless by vote of the said board duly recorded.

Sect. 8. No person shall be eligible to the position of a director or trustee of said corporation who is not the actual owner of ten shares of the stock.

Sect. 9. Said corporation, after beginning to receive deposits, shall, at all times, have on hand in lawful money, as a reserve, not less than fifteen per cent of the aggregate amount of its deposits which are subject to withdrawal on demand, provided, that in lieu of lawful money, two-thirds of said fifteen per cent may consist of balances payable on demand, due from any national or state bank.

Sect. 10. All the property or money held in trust by this corporation shall constitute a special deposit and the accounts thereof and of said trust department shall be kept separate, and such funds and the investment or loans of them shall be specially appropriated to the security and payment of such deposits, and not be subject to any other liabilities of the corporation; and for the purpose of securing the observance of this proviso, said corporation shall have a trust department in which all business pertaining to such trust property shall be kept separate and distinct from its general business.

Sect. 11. An administrator, executor, assignee, guardian, or trustee, any court of law or equity, including courts of pro-

bate and insolvency, officers and treasurers of towns, cities, counties, and savings banks of the state of Maine may deposit any moneys, bonds, stocks, evidences of debt or of ownership in property, or any personal property, with said corporation, and any of said courts may direct any person deriving authority from them to so deposit the same.

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may deposit  
with.

Sect. 12. Each shareholder of this corporation shall be individually responsible for all contracts, debts and engagements of said corporation to a sum equal to the amount of the par value of the shares owned by him, in addition to the amount invested in said shares.

Responsi-  
bility of  
share-  
holders.

Sect. 13. Such corporation shall set apart as a guaranty fund not less than ten per cent of its net earnings in each and every year until such fund with the accumulated interest thereon, shall amount to one-fourth of the capital stock of said corporation.

Guaranty  
fund.

Sect. 14. The shares of said corporation shall be subject to taxation in the same manner and rate as are the shares of national banks.

Taxation of  
shares.

Sect. 15. Said corporation shall be subject to examination by the bank examiner, who shall visit it at least once in every year, and as much oftener as he may deem expedient. At such visits he shall have free access to its vaults, books and papers, and shall thoroughly inspect and examine all the affairs of said corporation, and make such inquiries as may be necessary to ascertain its condition and ability to fulfill all its engagements. If upon examination of said corporation the examiner is of the opinion that its investments are not in accordance with law, or said corporation is insolvent, or its condition is such as to render its further proceedings hazardous to the public or to those having funds in its custody, or is of the opinion that it has exceeded its powers or failed to comply with any of the rules or restrictions provided by law, he shall have such authority and take such action as is provided for in the case of savings banks by chapter forty-seven of the revised statutes. He shall preserve in a permanent form a full record of his proceedings, including a statement of the condition of said corporation. A copy of such statement shall be published by said corporation immediately after the annual examination of the same in some newspaper published where said corporation is established. If no paper is published in the town where said corporation is established, then it shall be published in a newspaper printed in the

Shall be  
subject to  
examina-  
tion by  
bank ex-  
aminer.

—proceed-  
ings, when  
business be-  
comes haz-  
ardous.

—shall keep  
record and  
company  
publish  
statement.

**CHAP. 492** nearest city or town. The necessary expenses of the bank examiner while engaged in making such examination shall be paid by said corporation.

First meet-  
ing, how  
called.

Sect. 16. Any five of the corporators named in this act may call the first meeting of this corporation by mailing a written notice, signed by all, postage paid, to each of the other corporators, seven days at least before the day of the meeting, naming the time, place and purpose of such meeting, and at such meeting the necessary officers may be chosen, by-laws adopted and any other corporate business transacted.

Sect. 17. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 23, 1887.

### Chapter 493.

An Act to repeal Chapter four hundred sixty-three of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five, relating to the taking of Bass in Winnegance Creek.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Chapter 463,  
private  
laws, 1885,  
repealed.

That chapter four hundred sixty-three of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five, relating to the taking of bass in Winnegance creek, is hereby repealed.

Approved March 23, 1887.

### Chapter 493.

An Act to repeal Chapter one hundred ninety-seven of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to taking fish in Marble Brook and Pond.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Chapter 197,  
private  
laws, 1895,  
repealed.

Chapter one hundred ninety-seven of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five is hereby repealed.

Approved March 23, 1887.

**Chapter 494.**

An Act to increase the efficiency of the Local Board of Health of the town of Eden.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The municipal officers of the town of Eden are authorized to increase the local board of health of said town by appointing one or two additional members. The members appointed hereunder shall hold office for one year from the date of appointment, shall have powers co-ordinate with other members of the board, and shall serve without pay.

Number of  
board of  
health, in-  
creased.

—powers of  
new mem-  
bers.

Sect. 2. The municipal officers of said town may appoint a health officer who is not a physician.

Appoint-  
ment of  
health of-  
ficer.

Approved March 23, 1897.

**Chapter 495.**

An Act to abate the County Taxes assessed on Lang Plantation since its organization, and now remaining unpaid.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

That the county taxes assessed on Lang plantation since its organization, and now remaining unpaid, be and are hereby abated.

Taxes on  
Lang plan-  
tation,  
abated.

Approved March 23, 1897.

**Chapter 496.**

An Act to repeal Chapter two hundred and forty-six of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, entitled "An Act to prevent the use of narrow rimmed wheels on Greenfield road in town of Greenbush."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Chapter two hundred and forty-six of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five is hereby repealed.

Chapter 246,  
private  
laws, 1895,  
repealed.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 23, 1897.

CHAP. 497**Chapter 497.**

An Act relating to and amendatory of Chapter two hundred thirteen, Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act to incorporate the York Light and Heat Company."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Company  
authorized  
to re-  
fund debt.

Sect. 1. The York Light and Heat Company is hereby authorized and empowered to take up, cancel and retire its bonds already issued and the mortgage securing the same, and for that purpose may issue bonds for the payment of, or the refunding of its indebtedness, also for the further construction of its works, for such an amount, and upon such rate and time as it may deem expedient and necessary, not to exceed the sum of fifty thousand dollars, in addition to the amount of its present bonded indebtedness, and may secure the same by a mortgage or deed of trust of its franchise, or franchises, property and estate owned by or to be hereafter acquired by said corporation, but said mortgage shall not diminish the security of its bonds, heretofore issued by said corporation remaining unpaid.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 23, 1897.

**Chapter 498.**

An Act to incorporate the Searsport Water Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Corpora-  
tors.

Sect. 1. J. W. Black, F. I. Mortland, W. Grinnell, W. H. Hayden, C. F. Gordon, J. H. Kneeland, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby made a corporation by the name of the Searsport Water Company, for the purpose of supplying the town of Searsport, in the county of Waldo, and the inhabitants of said town, with pure water for domestic, sanitary and municipal purposes, including extinguishment of fires.

—corporate  
name.

Authorized  
take water.

Sect. 2. Said company, for said purposes, may retain, collect, take, store, use and distribute water from any springs, except such springs as are in actual use for domestic purposes, ponds, streams, or other water sources in said Searsport, or from Boyd's pond in Stockton Springs, and may locate, con-

struct and maintain cribs, reservoirs, aqueducts, gates, pipes, hydrants and all other necessary structures therefor. CHAP. 498

Sect. 3. Said company is hereby authorized to lay, construct and maintain in, under, through, along and across the highways, ways, streets, railroads and bridges in said towns, and to take up, replace and repair all such sluices, aqueducts, pipes, hydrants and structures as may be necessary for the purposes of its incorporation, so as not to unreasonably obstruct the same, under such reasonable restrictions and conditions as the selectmen of said towns may impose. It shall be responsible for all damages to persons and property occasioned by the use of such highways, ways and streets, and shall further be liable to pay to said town all sums recovered against said towns for damages for obstruction caused by said company, and for all expenses, including reasonable counsel fees incurred in defending such suits, with interest on the same, provided said company shall have notice of such suits and opportunity to defend the same.

May lay  
pipes, etc.,  
along any  
highway.

—responsi-  
ble for all  
damages.

Sect. 4. Said company shall have power to cross any water course, private and public sewer, or to change the direction thereof when necessary for the purposes of its incorporation, but in such manner as not to obstruct or impair the use thereof, and it shall be liable for any injury caused thereby. Whenever said company shall lay down any fixture in any highway, way or street, or make any alterations or repairs upon its works in any highway, way or street, it shall cause the same to be done with as little obstruction to public travel as may be practicable, and shall, at its own expense, without unnecessary delay, cause the earth and pavements there removed by it to be replaced in proper condition.

May cross  
any water  
course or  
sewer.

—shall not  
obstruct  
public  
travel.

Sect. 5. Said company may take and hold any waters as limited in section two and also any lands necessary for reservoirs, and other necessary structures, and may locate, lay and maintain aqueducts, pipes, hydrants and other necessary structures or fixtures in, over and through any lands for its said purposes, and excavate in and through such lands for such location, construction and maintenance. It may enter upon such lands to make surveys and location, and shall file in the registry of deeds for said county of Waldo, plans of such location and lands, showing the property taken, and within thirty days thereafter, publish notice of such filing in some newspaper in said county, such publication to be continued three weeks suc-

May take  
water and  
land.

—shall file  
plan of lo-  
cation in  
registry of  
deeds.

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Damages,  
how as-  
sessed.

—if dam-  
ages are  
not paid,  
location is  
invalid.

—shall file  
bond before  
occupying  
land.

—failure to  
apply for  
damages,  
shall be  
held to be a  
waiver of  
same.

Damages  
for taking  
water, how  
assessed.

May con-  
tract to  
supply  
water.

cessively. Not more than one rod in width of land shall be occupied by any one line of pipe or aqueduct.

Sect. 6. Should the said company and the owner of such land so taken be unable to agree upon the damages to be paid for such location, taking, holding and construction, the land owner may, within twelve months after said filing of plans of location, apply to the commissioners of said county of Waldo, and cause such damages to be assessed in the same manner and under the same conditions, restrictions and limitations as are by law prescribed in the case of damages by the laying out of highways, so far as such law is consistent with the provisions of this act. If said company shall fail to pay such land owner, or deposit for his use with the clerk of the county commissioners aforesaid, such sum as may be finally awarded as damages, with costs when recovered by him, within ninety days after notice of final judgment shall have been received by the clerk of courts of said county, the said location shall be thereby invalid, and said company forfeit all rights under the same as against such land owner. Said company may make a tender to any land owner damaged under the provisions of this act, and if such land owner recovers more damages than were tendered him by said company, he shall recover costs, otherwise said company shall recover costs. In case said company shall begin to occupy such lands before the rendition of final judgment, the land owner may require said company to file its bond to him with said county commissioners, in such sum and with such sureties as they approve, conditioned for said payment or deposit. No action shall be brought against said company for such taking, holding and occupation, until after such failure to pay or deposit as aforesaid. Failure to apply for damages within three years by the land owner, shall be held to be a waiver of the same.

Sect. 7. Any person suffering damage by the taking of water by said company as provided by this act, may have his damages assessed in the manner provided in the preceding section, and payment therefor shall be made in the same manner and with the same effect. No action shall be brought for the same until after the expiration of the time of payment. And a tender by said company may be made with the same effect as in the preceding section.

Sect. 8. Said corporation is hereby authorized to make contracts with the United States, and with corporations, and inhab-



itants of said town of Searsport or any village corporation therein for the purpose of supplying water as contemplated by this act; and said town of Searsport by its selectmen, or such village corporation by its assessors, is hereby authorized to enter into contract with said company for a supply of water for public uses, on such terms and for such time as the parties may agree, which when made, shall be legal and binding on all parties thereto, and said town of Searsport for this purpose may raise money in the same manner as for other town charges.

—town may  
contract  
for water.

Sect. 9. The capital stock of said company shall be fifty thousand dollars, and said stock shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each.

Capital  
stock.

Sect. 10. Said company for all of its said purposes, may hold real and personal estate necessary and convenient therefor, not exceeding in amount two hundred thousand dollars.

May hold  
real estate.

Sect. 11. Said company may issue its bonds for the construction of its works of any and all kinds upon such rates and time as it may deem expedient, to an amount not exceeding in all the capital stock of said corporation subscribed for, and secure the same by mortgage or mortgages of the franchise and property of said company.

May issue  
bonds and  
mortgage  
property.

Sect. 12. The first meeting of said company may be called by a written notice thereof, signed by any corporator herein named, served upon each corporator by giving him the same in hand, or by leaving the same at his last usual place of abode, seven days before the time of meeting.

First meet-  
ing, how  
called.

Sect. 13. This act shall become null and void in two years from the day when the same shall take effect, unless said company shall have organized and commenced actual business under this charter.

Charter  
void in two  
years.

Sect. 14. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 23, 1897.

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An Act to amend Chapter three hundred and fifty-three of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, relating to the Bluehill Water Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 1.  
chapter 353,  
private  
laws, 1889,  
amended.

Sect. 1. Section one of chapter three hundred and fifty-three of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, is hereby amended by inserting after the name "David W. Bunker" in the third line of said section, the name 'George H. Stover,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Corpor-  
ators.

'Sect. 1. Edward E. Chase, Nahum Hinckley, Arthur C. Hinckley, Frank P. Merrill, Rufus P. Grindle, David W. Bunker, George H. Stover and Augustus N. Osgood, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby incorporated by the name of Bluehill Water Company, for the purpose of supplying the inhabitants of the town of Bluehill with pure water for domestic, sanitary and municipal purposes, including the extinguishment of fires.'

—corporate  
name.

Rights and  
privileges,  
extended  
two years.

Sect. 2. All the rights, powers and privileges of the Bluehill Water Company, which were granted by said chapter three hundred and fifty-three of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, are hereby extended for two years additional.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 23, 1897.

**Chapter 500.**

An Act to amend Section eight of Chapter three hundred and ninety-six of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, as amended by Chapter two hundred and four of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to the charter of the Deer Isle Telephone Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 8,  
chapter 396,  
private  
laws, 1893,  
as amended  
by chapter  
204, laws,  
1895, further  
amended.

Sect. 1. Section eight of chapter three hundred and ninety-six of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, as amended by chapter two hundred and four of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, is hereby further amended by striking out the word "four,"

in the second line of said section, and inserting in its place the word 'six,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows: CHAP. 501

'Sect. 8. This charter shall be null and void unless operations shall actually commence hereunder within six years from the date of the passage of this act. Charter extended.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 23, 1897.

## Chapter 501.

An Act to incorporate the Old Town Gas Light and Power Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Edward W. Conant, Moses L. Jordan, George P. Longley, Nathan C. McCausland, David Carr, Charles B. Porter, W. H. Powell and their associates and assigns, are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate, by the name of the Old Town Gas Light and Power Company, for the purpose of supplying light, heat and power by the manufacture of gas in the city of Old Town with all the privileges and subject to all the duties, restrictions and liabilities by law incident to corporations of a similar nature. Corporators.  
  
—corporate name.

Sect. 2. Said company is authorized and empowered to carry on the business of lighting by gas such public streets in the city of Old Town and such buildings and places therein, public and private, as may be agreed upon by said corporation and the owners or those having control of said buildings and places to be lighted, and may furnish motive power by gas within said city, and may build and operate manufactories and works for providing and supplying gas, light and power and may lease, purchase and hold real and personal estate for the purposes of the corporation to the amount of its capital stock, and to construct, lay, maintain and operate lines of pipe for the transmission of gas, underground, under and along any and all streets and ways, under the direction of the municipal officers of said city. May furnish gas for lighting and power.  
  
—build works, lease and hold real estate.  
  
—may lay pipes.

Sect. 3. The said company shall be liable in all cases to repay to the city all sums of money that said city may be obliged to pay on any indictment or judgment recovered against said Liable to city for damages.

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city occasioned by any obstruction or taking up, or displacement of any way, highway, railroad or street by said company in said city; provided, however, that said company shall have notice whenever such damages are claimed by said city, from the municipal officers and shall be allowed to defend the same at its own expense.

Shall not obstruct any drain or sewer.

Sect. 4. Said company shall not be allowed to obstruct or impair the use of any public or private drain or sewer, but may cross the same, being responsible to the owners or other person for any injury occasioned thereby in an action on the case.

City may contract for light, heat and power.

Sect. 5. The city of Old Town, by its municipal officers, is hereby authorized to contract with said company from time to time as is deemed expedient for the supply of light, heat and power for said city.

Capital stock.

Sect. 6. The capital stock of said company shall not exceed fifty thousand dollars, and shall be divided into shares of fifty dollars each.

May issue bonds and mortgage property.

Sect. 7. Said corporation is hereby authorized to issue its bonds in such amount and on such time as it may from time to time determine, not exceeding the amount of capital stock subscribed for, in aid of the purpose specified in this act and to secure the same by a mortgage of its franchises and property.

—may lease property.

It is also hereby authorized to lease all of its property and franchises upon such terms as it may determine.

First meeting, how called.

Sect. 8. The first meeting of said corporation may be called by either corporator, by written notice signed by him, stating the time and place thereof, and sent by mail to his associates five days before said meeting.

Approved March 23, 1887.

**Chapter 502.**

An Act to enable the County of Sagadahoc to rebuild the Merrymeeting Bay Bridge, to issue bonds therefor and to make it and Arrowsic Bridge free.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section five of chapter forty-two of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, is hereby repealed.

Section 5,  
chapter 42,  
private  
laws, 1878,  
repealed.

Sect. 2. The county commissioners of Sagadahoc county are authorized and empowered to repair and rebuild the bridge over Merrymeeting bay, and to defray the cost and outlay therefor by the issue of bonds of said county not exceeding the cost of repairing and rebuilding said bridge, made payable in not more than forty years from date, with annual interest not to exceed four and one-half per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, signed by the county treasurer and countersigned by said county commissioners, said bonds to be of such denominations as the county commissioners may deem advisable.

County  
commis-  
sioners au-  
thorized to  
repair  
bridge over  
Merry-  
meeting  
bay.

—may issue  
bonds.

Sect. 3. The inhabitants of the town of Arrowsic may at any legal town meeting, called therefor, by a majority vote, transfer and convey by gift to the county of Sagadahoc all the stock, franchises and property of the Arrowsic Bridge Company which shall thereupon vest in the county, which is hereby authorized to accept and hold the same.

Town au-  
thorized to  
convey  
franchises  
of Arrowsic  
Bridge  
Company to  
the county.

Sect. 4. From and after the acceptance of this act in the manner provided by section five thereof, the county of Sagadahoc is hereby authorized and empowered to maintain both the bridges aforesaid, free of tolls, and the county commissioners of said county shall keep said bridges and approaches thereto in repair so that the same shall be safe and convenient for public travel, and shall include in their annual estimates of county taxes the sums necessary therefor, together with a sum equal to two per centum of the bonds issued in virtue of this act, which sum shall be set aside yearly until, with its past and prospective accretions, it shall be sufficient to provide for the payment of said bonds at maturity and said sum and accretions shall constitute a sinking fund for the payment of said bonds and shall be invested in such interest bearing securities as said commissioners shall approve or in such bonds, but shall not in any other manner be loaned to said county.

County  
empowered  
to main-  
tain  
bridges.

—sinking  
fund, to  
provide for.

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Act shall not take effect until accepted by voters of county.

—meetings, how called.

—how votes shall be received, etc.

—how declared.

—errors may be corrected.

Before meetings are called, estimates of cost shall be made for public inspection.

How meeting shall be held in Bath.

Sect. 5. No part of this act shall take effect unless and until it is accepted as a whole, including the freeing of both bridges and the issuing of county bonds, by the legal voters of Sagadahoc county by a majority vote at meetings of the several towns and municipalities in said county, duly notified and warned, to be held on the first Monday in June next, for the purpose of accepting or rejecting this act as a whole, at which meetings the vote shall be by ballot as follows: For rebuilding Merrymeeting bay bridge, issuing bonds therefor, accepting Arrowsic bridge and making the two bridges free; 'yes,' 'no.' The ballots shall be received, sorted, counted and declared as votes for town officers are, and shall be recorded by the town and city clerks, and true copies thereof sealed and attested, shall be transmitted to the county commissioners of the county of Sagadahoc within six days. The commissioners shall open and declare the votes so returned by publishing the same in the Bath Enterprise and Bath Independent, in two issues of those papers. If errors appear in the returns they shall be corrected by the commissioners by proper evidence, and if a majority of the ballots returned have 'yes' upon them, it shall be deemed to be an acceptance of this act, and the same shall then be in force; but if there should be a majority of ballots with 'no' thereon, it shall be deemed a rejection of the same.

Sect. 6. Before said meetings are called, the county commissioners shall procure careful estimates by a competent and disinterested civil engineer of the entire cost of rebuilding Merrymeeting bay bridge in a suitable manner, and of making the same and its approaches permanent and safe for public travel, and shall cause said estimates to be kept in their office at Bath open for public inspection for at least thirty days before the first Monday of June, next.

Sect. 7. At a meeting in the city of Bath to be held under the provisions hereof, the check lists used at the March, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven municipal election, or copies thereof attested by the city clerk shall be used. The board of registration shall be in session only on the day of said meeting, and any person legally qualified to vote at said meeting, whose name shall not be borne upon said lists, may receive a certificate of his qualification from said board, and shall thereupon be permitted by the proper ward officers to cast his ballot as if his name were on said list. The vote in said city shall be by open ballot.

Sect. 8. If this act shall be accepted by the voters of Sagadahoc county as provided in section five, all acts and parts of acts, inconsistent with this act, shall thereby be repealed.

Approved March 23, 1897.

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If this act be accepted, inconsistent acts, repealed.

## Chapter 503.

An Act to extend the charter of the Bath, Small Point and Popham Beach Railroad Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

The period within which the Bath, Small Point and Popham Beach Railroad Company must have organized and commenced actual business under its charter, is hereby extended until March eleven, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine.

Charter extended.

Approved March 23, 1897.

## Chapter 504.

An Act to amend Section one of Chapter two hundred and ninety-seven of the Private and Special laws of one thousand eight hundred and eighty three, relating to dyke in town of Milbridge.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section one of chapter two hundred and ninety-seven of the private and special laws of one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three is hereby amended by striking out the name "Bartlett W. Brown" in the first and second lines of said section and inserting the name 'Jasper Wyman;' and after the word "others" in the ninth line adding the words 'and to repair and maintain said old dyke,' so that said section shall read, when amended, as follows:

Section 1, chapter 297, private laws, 1883, amended.

'Sect. 1. Joel G. Gay, Henry M. Leighton, Jasper Wyman, William W. Blood, their associates, successors, heirs and assigns, are hereby authorized to build and maintain a good and sufficient dyke, at Back bay, in the town of Milbridge, to commence at a point on the west side of Grain point, so called, and to extend over tide waters across the creek there situated, to land of Alonzo Fickett, in shore of the site of the old dyke formerly built across said creek by the grantees of said Gay and others, and to repair and maintain said old dyke.'

Corporators.

—authorized to build dyke in Milbridge.

Approved March 23, 1897.

**Chapter 505.**

An Act relating to the crossings in the new highway in Ashland and Sheridan Plantation by the branch track and log spur of the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Crossings  
of Bangor  
and Aroos-  
took Rail-  
road in  
Ashland,  
and Sheri-  
dan planta-  
tion, ap-  
proval of.

Sect. 1. Whenever the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company shall present to the railroad commissioners, a petition asking for the approval of the present crossings of the new highway leading to the mill property of the Ashland Manufacturing Company in Sheridan plantation in Aroostook county, by the branch railroad track leading to said mill, and the log spur, and said commissioners shall approve such crossings, the same shall thereupon be and become legal and sufficient crossings and said railroad commissioners are hereby authorized and directed to approve said crossings if they are built to their satisfaction, and to prescribe the manner and conditions under which they shall be thereafter maintained, and if said crossings or either of them are not now built to their satisfaction, said commissioners shall state in writing what changes shall be made in said crossings, and when such changes are made, then said crossings shall become legal and sufficient crossings. Said railroad company shall cause to be filed with the clerk of courts of Aroostook county a copy of the approval of said crossings, or findings of said commissioners in relation to changes therein, duly certified to be such by the clerk of said commissioners.

—copy of  
approval  
shall be  
filed with  
clerk of  
courts.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 24, 1897.



**Chapter 506.****CHAP. 506**

An Act to incorporate the York Sewer Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Josiah Chase, Russell D. Woodman, Will R. Howard, John L. Chase and Hiram M. Perkins, with their associates and successors are hereby made a corporation by the name of the York Sewer Company, for the purpose of constructing and maintaining systems of sewers in the town of York or any parts thereof.

Corpora-  
tors.

—corporate  
name.

Sect. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized, for the purposes aforesaid, to lay down and maintain all such pipes or other structures as may be necessary for the proper conducting, discharging and disposing of sewerage, and to excavate through any lands in said town when necessary for the purposes of this corporation.

Powers and  
privileges.

Sect. 3. Said corporation is authorized to lay, construct and maintain, in, through, under and along the highways, streets, railroads, bridges and water courses in said town all such pipes and other structures as may be necessary for the purposes of this corporation and to take up, replace and repair the same when necessary. Provided, that when any work is done within the limits of any highway or public street, it shall be done under such restriction and regulations as the selectmen of the town may impose. And provided further, that in case of any crossing of a railroad, unless said corporation shall agree with the company owning and operating such railroad, as to place, manner and conditions of the crossings, the railroad commissioners shall determine the place, manner and conditions of such crossings, and all work within the limits of such railroad location shall be done under the supervision and to the satisfaction of the officers of such railroad company, but at the expense of this corporation.

May lay  
pipes along  
highways,  
etc.

—work shall  
be done under regula-  
tions im-  
posed by  
selectmen.

—manner of  
crossing  
any rail-  
road, shall  
be deter-  
mined by  
railroad  
commis-  
sioners.

Sect. 4. Said corporation is authorized to lay, extend and maintain its pipes into, under and over tidal waters, and to build and maintain all necessary structures therefor, all to be done at such places and in such manner as may be necessary for the purposes of this corporation, and not to obstruct navigation.

Authorized  
to lay  
pipes under  
tide waters.

Sect. 5. Said corporation shall have power to cross any public or private sewer, or to change the direction of the same, but in such manner as not to obstruct or impair the use thereof.

May cross  
any sewer.

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May contract to supply facilities for sewerage.

Sect. 6. Said corporation is hereby authorized to make contracts with the inhabitants of said town and individuals therein, and with other corporations, for the purpose of supplying said inhabitants and individuals, and other corporations, with facilities of sewerage as contemplated by this act; and said town by its selectmen are hereby authorized to contract with said company for sewerage facilities for municipal or other purposes as said town and said company may agree, which shall be legal and binding on all parties thereto.

Liability for all damages, and how ascertained.

Sect. 7. Said corporation shall be liable to pay to said town all sums recovered against it for damages from obstruction or defects of said streets and highways, caused by said corporation, and for all expenses, including reasonable counsel fees, incurred in defending such suits. And also shall be liable to pay all damages sustained by any person by reason of excavating or laying down pipe. And if any person sustaining damages as aforesaid, and said corporation shall not mutually agree upon the sum to be paid therefor, such person or said corporation may cause the damage to be ascertained in the manner prescribed by law in case of damage by laying out highways.

Town authorized to purchase system.

Sect. 8. The town of York, by its selectmen duly authorized by vote of said town, may purchase from this corporation all of its system or systems of sewers within the limits of said town; and in case of such purchase, if said town and this corporation shall not mutually agree as to terms and conditions of such purchase it shall be referred to two justices of the supreme judicial court and their determination of the matter shall be final.

—terms and conditions.

Capital stock.

Sect. 9. The capital stock of this corporation shall not exceed fifty thousand dollars, and shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each.

May hold real estate.

Sect. 10. Said corporation is authorized to hold real and personal property to the amount of one hundred thousand dollars.

May issue bonds and mortgage property.

Sect. 11. Said corporation may issue its bonds for the construction and maintenance of its works, upon such rates and for such time as it may deem expedient, not exceeding in amount its capital stock subscribed for, and secure the same by mortgage of the franchise and property of the company.

First meeting, how called.

Sect. 12. The first meeting of this corporation may be called by written notice therefor, stating the time and place of said meeting, signed by any two of the corporators herein

named, and served on each corporator by giving him the same in hand, or by mailing the same to him, directed to his last known place of residence, at least thirty days before the time of said meeting.

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Sect. 13. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 23, 1897.

## Chapter 507.

An Act relating to the catching of smelts in Damariscotta River.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. It shall be lawful to catch smelts in the Damariscotta river, its bays and tributaries, with a common hand dip net, during the months of April and May; and with drag seines to a point known as the ledges so called, in said river, at all times.

Catching of smelts in Damariscotta river, made lawful in April and May.

Sect. 2. Any person convicted of fishing for or catching smelts in the Damariscotta river above the so called ledges with drag seines, shall be punished by a fine of one hundred dollars, by complaint or indictment, one half to the use of the complainant and one half to the county where the proceedings are commenced. Full jurisdiction to impose said fine is hereby conferred upon trial justices.

Penalty for fishing with drag seines.

Sect. 3. All acts and parts of acts, inconsistent with the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.

Inconsistent acts, repealed.

Approved March 23, 1897.

## Chapter 508.

An Act to authorize the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company to lease a connecting railroad, which may be built from Limestone.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

If, pursuant to the laws of this state, a connecting line of railroad shall be built from any point in the town of Limestone in Aroostook county to a point of connection with the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad as now constructed, or to a point of connec-

Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company, authorized to lease connecting

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railroad  
when built.

—may  
guarantee  
bonds of  
such rail-  
road.

tion with said Bangor and Aroostook Railroad as it may here-  
after be built from its present terminus in Caribou in said Aroos-  
took county, the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company is  
hereby authorized and empowered to lease such connecting line  
of railroad of the company which may build such connecting line,  
upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon between  
the company which may build such road and the Bangor and  
Aroostook Railroad Company, and to guarantee the payment of  
any bonds and interest thereon which may be issued on such  
connecting road by the railroad company which may build such  
road. And the company which may build such road is hereby  
authorized and empowered to lease its said road to said Bangor  
and Aroostook Railroad Company as above provided.

Approved March 24, 1897.

### Chapter 509.

An Act to incorporate the Westbrook, Windham, and Harrison Railway Company  
and to authorize municipalities in Cumberland county, to aid in the construction  
of its railway.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in  
Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Corpora-  
tors.

—corporate  
name.

—author-  
ized to  
construct a  
street rail-  
way.

—route.

—location  
must have  
approval of  
town of-  
ficers.

Sect. 1. John C. Scates, Russell D. Woodman, Charles M.  
Waterhouse, Charles B. Woodman and James H. Tolman, of  
Westbrook, in the county of Cumberland, their associates, suc-  
cessors and assigns, are hereby constituted a corporation by the  
name of Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railway Company,  
with authority to construct, maintain, use and operate by com-  
pressed air, electricity or animal power, a street railway with  
convenient single or double tracks, side tracks, switches or turn-  
outs, with any and all necessary or convenient lines of poles,  
wires, appliances, appurtenances, pipes and conduits, and com-  
pressor, electric and other plants for motive power, beginning  
on Main street opposite Bridge street in said city of Westbrook,  
and thence over the main road leading through said city of West-  
brook, by the house of Mark Mosher in Gorham, to the village  
of South Windham, and thence through said town of Windham,  
the towns of Raymond, Casco, Otisfield, Naples and Harrison,  
to some convenient point in said town of Harrison, upon and  
over such streets, town roads and highways in said city and said  
towns as may be fixed and determined by the municipal officers

of said city and of the several towns aforesaid, respectively, and assented to in writing by said corporation. Provided, that the aforesaid street railway shall not be extended beyond the village of Naples prior to the first day of November eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, nor thereafter, if the Bridgton and Saco River Railroad Company shall extend the line of its railroad from its present terminus to Harrison village on or before said first day of November eighteen hundred and ninety-eight; and in case of the failure on the part of said last named company to so extend its line, the said Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railway Company shall have the further time of two years from said first day of November eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, within which it may extend and build its line of railway from Naples village to Harrison; and provided further, that said line of street railway shall not anywhere go nearer to the village of Gorham than the corner known as Mosher's, and that the cars of no other street railroad company, whether organized or to be organized under the general law or any special charter shall ever be allowed to run over the tracks of this company between its terminal in the city of Westbrook and Mosher's corner aforesaid; and it is hereby expressly provided that the location of the railway of this company in the main road from Westbrook to Mosher's corner, shall constitute no bar to the location of the tracks of any other company which may derive and obtain the right to locate another street railway in the same main road between Westbrook and Mosher's corner. The written assent of said corporation to any vote of said city and of said towns or of the municipal officers thereof, prescribing from time to time, the routes of such railway and the conditions and restrictions applicable to the maintenance and operation of the same shall be filed with the clerk of said city and the clerks of said towns respectively, and shall be taken and deemed to be the location thereof. Said railway corporation shall have the power from time to time to fix such rates of compensation for transporting persons or property as it may think expedient, and generally shall have all the powers and be subject to all the liabilities of corporations, as set forth in the forty-sixth chapter of the revised statutes.

Sect. 2. If the municipal officers of said city or either of said towns upon a written application therefor neglect for thirty days to approve such a route and location as to streets, town roads or highways, or if they refuse to approve such a route and location, or if such route and location approved by them is not

—when railway may be extended beyond Naples village.

—exclusive right granted.

—location from Westbrook to Mosher's Corner, no bar to another railway over same route.

—assent of corporation to route, etc., shall be filed with city and clerks. towns

—right to fix transportation sales.

Appeal may be taken to supreme judicial court, if municipal officers neglect or refuse to

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approve  
route and  
location.

—appellants shall serve written notice upon municipal officers.

—if appeal is entered, court shall appoint committee to determine and define route and location.

—failure to appeal, shall not prevent new application.

Municipal officers shall make regulations as to rail, grade, speed, etc.

Company shall keep portions of streets occupied by it, in repair.

May take land and materials.

accepted by the corporation, in either case, said corporation may appeal to the next term of the supreme judicial court to be held in any county where any part of said railway is located, more than thirty days from the expiration of said thirty days or from the date of such refusal, or from the approval of a location that is not accepted by the corporation, as the case may be, excluding the day of the commencement of the session of said court. The appellants shall serve written notice of such appeal upon said municipal officers fourteen days at least before the session of said court, and shall at the first term file a complaint setting forth substantially the facts of the case. If the appeal is then entered, and not afterwards, the court shall appoint a committee of three disinterested persons who shall be sworn, and if one of them dies, declines, or becomes interested, the court may appoint some suitable person in his place, and they shall give such notice as the court has ordered, view the proposed route or routes, and location or locations, and make their report at the next term of the court after their appointment, defining therein the route and location as to streets or ways as determined by them, which after acceptance and entry of judgment thereon, shall forthwith be certified to the clerk of the city or town to which said judgment relates in lieu of the approval of the municipal officers. Costs may be taxed and allowed as the court may order. A failure to appeal shall not bar the corporation from making a new application to the municipal officers.

Sect. 3. The municipal officers of said city and of said towns shall have the power, at all times, to make all such regulations as to form of rail, grade of road bed, appliances and safeguards, rate of speed, and removal of snow and ice from the streets, town roads and highways, by said company, as the public convenience and safety may require. Said corporation shall keep and maintain in repair such portions of the streets, town roads and highways and bridges as shall be occupied by the tracks of its railway and for a space of eighteen inches outside of each rail, and shall make all other changes and repairs of said streets and roads as may be rendered necessary by the occupation of the same by said railway.

Sect. 4. Said corporation outside of the limits of streets, roads or ways for the location, construction and convenient use of its road, may purchase or take and hold by its location as for public uses, land and all materials upon it, whenever for any reason it appears to be impracticable to locate such railway within

the limits of said streets, roads or ways, and it shall be so found by the board of railroad commissioners, but the land so taken shall not exceed four rods in width unless necessary for excavation, embankments or materials; and the location of said railway upon land taken by virtue of this section shall be filed and the estimation and payment of damages for land so taken shall be made in accordance with the provisions of chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes.

—damages,  
how esti-  
mated.

Sect. 5. All acts required by this act to be done by said corporation, may be delegated by said corporation to its board of directors.

Powers may  
be dele-  
gated to  
board of  
directors.

Sect. 6. Said Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railway Company is hereby authorized to issue bonds in such amounts and on such time and terms as it may from time to time determine for any money which it may borrow, and secure the same by mortgages of its franchises, railways and property or by mortgages of its income or both. All bonds which shall be issued by said company shall be binding and legal, notwithstanding such bonds may be negotiated and sold by said company, or its agents, at less than their par value.

May issue  
bonds and  
mortgage  
property.

Sect. 7. Said Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railway Company shall have the power to aid, or invest its funds, in the construction, maintenance or carrying on of summer hotels, summer or shore resorts or amusements at such resorts.

May con-  
struct and  
maintain  
summer  
hotels.

Sect. 8. The capital stock of said corporation shall not exceed five hundred thousand dollars, to be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, provided, however, that if the said capital stock is found by the directors of said corporation to be insufficient for carrying out the purposes and powers of said corporation, then said corporation may increase said capital stock from time to time to any amount, for the purposes provided for in this act. Such increase, however, must be assented to by vote, either in person or by proxy, of two-thirds in amount of all the stockholders, at a meeting thereof called by the directors for that purpose.

Capital  
stock.

Sect. 9. Said corporation shall be liable for any loss or damage which any person may sustain by reason of any neglect or misconduct of its agents or servants, or by reason of any defect in said streets, town roads or highways occupied by said railway if such defect arise from neglect or misconduct of the corporation, its servants or agents. Said corporation shall be liable for all damages caused by its electric current to water and gas pipes.

Liable for  
all dam-  
ages.

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Penalty for malicious obstruction of corporation.

Sect. 10. If any person shall willfully or maliciously obstruct such corporation in the use of its road, tracks or property, or the passage of the cars or carriages of said corporation thereon, such person and all who aid and abet therein, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding two hundred dollars, or may be imprisoned in the county jail for a period not exceeding sixty days.

May take and hold real estate, water, etc.

Sect. 11. Said corporation may lease, purchase, receive, let, dispose of, or hold such real or personal estate and water or other motive power as may be necessary for the purposes and management of said railway and power plants and stations.

Construction and rails and grade, must be approved by municipal officers.

Sect. 12. Said railway shall be constructed and maintained in such form and manner and with such rails and other appliances as may be deemed necessary by the corporation and may be approved by the municipal officers of said city and said towns respectively, and upon such grades as the municipal officers of said city or towns respectively may direct; and whenever in the judgment of said corporation it shall be deemed necessary to alter the grade of any street, town road or highway, said alteration may be made at the expense of said corporation, provided, the same shall be assented to in writing by the municipal officers of said city or of said towns respectively. If the tracks of said corporation's railway cross any other railway of any kind in either said city or towns and a dispute arises in any way in regard to the manner of crossing, the board of railroad commissioners of the state shall, upon hearing, decide and determine in writing, in what manner the crossing shall be made and it shall be constructed accordingly.

Manner of crossing other railroads, shall be determined by railroad commissioners.

Location may be changed by consent of municipal officers.

Sect. 13. Said corporation may at any time change the location of any of its railways in the streets, town roads and highways of said city and said towns by first obtaining the consent of the municipal officers of said city or towns respectively, and may make additional locations, subject to the foregoing provisions and conditions of this charter, but shall not be compelled to change a location once established as hereinbefore provided. Nothing herein contained shall be construed as granting to said Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railway Company the right to run over the tracks of the Portland Railroad Company, or to make extensions into territory already occupied by the latter company, nor as granting to said last named company the right to run over the tracks of said Westbrook, Windham and

—act shall not be construed as granting right to run over tracks of Portland Railroad Company, etc.



Harrison Railway Company, or to make extensions in to its territory lying easterly or northeasterly of the Presumpscot river.

Sect. 14. Nothing in this act shall be construed to prevent the proper authorities of said city or towns respectively, from entering upon and temporarily taking up the soil, paving or planking in any street, town road or highway occupied by said railway, or the tracks, planking, or timbers of its railroad for any purpose for which said city or towns may now lawfully take up the same for purposes of reconstruction or repairs.

City and town officers shall have right to enter upon, etc., any street occupied by railway.

Sect. 15. Any city or town in the counties of Cumberland and Oxford deeming themselves interested in having said railroad constructed, or to be benefited thereby, may subscribe at par value for any amount of said stock, or loan their credit upon such terms and upon such securities as may be mutually agreed upon, or may both subscribe for stock and loan their credit as aforesaid by a vote of the legal voters of any such city or town present at any meeting legally called therefor, not to exceed the percentage prescribed by law of the valuation of such city or town, and such vote shall be obligatory on such city or town for the payment of the amount so subscribed or loaned on such time or terms as may be agreed upon by them and the company and all stock so subscribed for by such city or town shall be represented in said corporation by the municipal authorities thereof, and any such city or town specified in this section may in such vote designate on what part of said railroad line, if any, in such city or town, any money so voted to be raised by such town shall be expended and used, and said corporation shall expend and use all such money in the manner designated by such vote and in no other manner.

City and towns may subscribe for stock and loan credit.

Sect. 16. Said railway corporation shall have all the rights and be subject to all the liabilities of street railways under the laws of this state, except so far as this act is inconsistent therewith, or makes provisions in regard to any special subject, power or matter.

Company shall have the rights, and be subject to all liabilities of railways under laws of state.

Sect. 17. In the erection and maintenance of any and all its poles, posts, lamps and wires, said corporation shall be subject to the general laws of the state, regulating the erection of posts and lines for the purposes of electricity.

Shall be subject to general laws of state.

Sect. 18. This charter is granted upon the express condition that no part of its line of street railway shall be used, except for purposes of construction, until at least ten miles of its line, beginning at the Westbrook terminal, shall have been con-

Conditions upon which this charter is granted.

CHAP. 510     structured and finished, and if at least ten miles of its line, beginning at its Westbrook terminal, shall not be constructed, finished and in operation on or before the first day of November, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, then this charter shall be null and void and all rights of this company, even as to any part of its line which may have been constructed shall cease and terminate.

First meeting, how called.

Sect. 19. The first meeting of said corporation may be called by one of the incorporators giving written notice to the others, of the time and place of the meeting, at least seven days before the meeting.

Approved March 24, 1887.

### Chapter 510.

An Act to give to the Oxford Light Company certain powers not granted by the general law.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Company authorized to purchase electric light plants in Norway and Paris.

Sect. 1. The Oxford Light Company, a corporation organized under the general laws of the state, for the purpose of making, generating, selling, distributing and supplying electricity for lighting, heating, manufacturing and mechanical purposes in the towns of Norway and Paris, is authorized to purchase and hold the property, rights, privileges, locations and immunities of any electric light plant now in either of said towns, and upon such purchase and transfer, the Oxford Light Company shall succeed to and enjoy all the locations, rights, privileges, and immunities now held by the owners thereof.

Upon purchase, company shall be held to perform all existing contracts.

Sect. 2. Upon any or either of the purchases authorized by the preceding section, the said Oxford Light Company shall thereafter faithfully perform all the obligations of any and all contracts then existing between the owners of any plant so selling and any town, municipal corporation, or person in each and every particular, and shall be subject to all the liabilities thereof; and shall thereupon succeed to and enjoy all the rights thereunder as fully as if it had been originally a party thereto.

Locations of posts and wires, confirmed.

Sect. 3. The locations of all posts, wires and fixtures in any of the streets or ways within said towns as now established and maintained, are hereby confirmed and made valid with all the rights and subject to all the liabilities of the general laws of the state regulating the erection of posts and wires for the purposes of electricity.

Sect. 4. The said company is authorized to make contracts with the United States, the state, the county of Oxford, the towns of Norway and Paris, and any village corporation in either of said towns, and with corporations and inhabitants of said towns, for the purpose of supplying light, heat and power as contemplated by this act. The said towns of Norway and Paris through their selectmen or any village corporation therein through the assessors thereof, are severally authorized to contract with said company from time to time for a supply of electricity for public purposes from year to year or for a term of years as they may deem expedient.

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May contract to supply light, heat and power.

Towns may make contracts for supply of electricity.

Sect. 5. This bill shall not be construed as giving to said Oxford Light Company any exclusive privileges within the limits of the town of Paris, not granted by the general law.

Exclusive privileges not granted within town of Paris.

Sect. 6. The said company may issue its bonds for the purchase or construction of its works and for the purposes of its incorporation, from time to time, to the amount of eighty thousand dollars, and on such rates and time, as it may deem expedient, and secure the same by appropriate mortgages upon its property and franchise.

May issue bonds and mortgage property.

Sect. 7. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 25, 1897.

## Chapter 511.

An Act to amend the charter of the Waldo Street Railway Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section one of chapter three hundred and nine of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, entitled "An Act to amend section one of chapter two hundred and fifty-three of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Waldo Street Railway Company,' as amended by chapter six hundred and thirty-seven of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three," is hereby amended by adding after the word "maintaining," in line twenty-four, the words 'a bridge of sufficient width for teams, foot passengers and the tracks of said corporation with,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Charter amended.

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Corpora-  
tors.—corporate  
name au-  
thorized to  
construct a  
street rail-  
way.

—route.

—may oc-  
cupy streets  
as deter-  
mined by  
municipal  
officers.—cross tide  
waters in  
Belfast  
bay.—may cross  
land of  
private  
owners by  
consent.—written  
assent of  
corpora-  
tion to  
votes of  
municipal  
officers as  
to location,  
shall be  
filed with  
city and  
town  
clerks. .

'Sect. 1. C. B. Hazeltine, J. G. Brooks, A. A. Howes, William B. Swan, J. H. Quimby, Nathan F. Houston, Charles Baker and J. H. Howes, of Belfast, in the county of Waldo, Samuel E. Shepherd and Herbert L. Shepherd, of Rockport, and E. K. O'Brien, of Thomaston, in the county of Knox, and state of Maine, their associates, successors and assigns are hereby constituted a corporation by the name of Waldo Street Railway Company, with authority to construct, maintain and use a street railroad, to be operated by electric or animal power, with convenient single or double tracks, side tracks, switches and turnouts, with any necessary or convenient lines of poles, wire appliances, appurtenances and conduits, from and to such points in the town of Stockton Springs, through the town of Searsport, the city of Belfast and the towns of Northport and Lincolnville, to the line between the towns of Camden and Lincolnville, upon and over such streets in said towns and city as shall from time to time be fixed and determined by the municipal officers of the said several towns and city aforesaid and assented to in writing by said corporation, and shall have the right to cross tide water in Belfast bay or harbor, at any place above Lane's wharf, so called, as near the highway bridge as a competent engineer will determine that a practicable curve can be made in said bay or harbor, by building and maintaining a bridge of sufficient width for teams, foot passengers and the tracks of said corporation with suitable draws for the accommodation of navigation; and also shall have authority to construct, maintain and use said railroad, over and upon any land of private owners where consent is obtained and damages paid or released, provided, however, that all tracks of said railways shall be laid at such distances from the sidewalks of said towns and city, as the municipal officers thereof shall in their orders fixing the routes of said railway, determine to be for public safety and convenience. The written assent of said corporation to any vote or votes of the municipal officers of said towns and city prescribing from time to time the routes of said railway, shall be filed with the clerks of the said several towns and city, and shall be taken and deemed to be the location thereof, which shall not afterwards be changed except by the mutual consent of the municipal officers of said city and towns and the corporation. Said corporation shall have power from time to time to fix such rates of compensation for transportation of persons and property as it may think expedient; to issue bonds and secure the same

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by mortgage of its franchise and property; also it is authorized to lease all of its property and franchises upon such terms as it may determine, and in general shall have all the powers and be subject to all the liabilities of corporations, as set forth in the forty-sixth chapter of the revised statutes; the rights of said corporation in laying its rails and maintaining its road, shall be no more than are, or may be granted by the municipal officers of said city and towns; and in the matter of keeping in repair that portion of the road, between the rails and adjacent to them outside, the corporation shall be limited and bound by the restrictions and conditions imposed by the said city and towns at the time of granting the license. Said corporation shall at all times maintain a suitable conveyance for passengers at reasonable hours and when not expedient to operate said road by electricity, its cars shall be propelled by animal power, provided, however, that upon written application by said corporation to the municipal officers of said city, or the municipal officers of any of said towns, and hearing thereon, the municipal officers of such city or town may authorize said corporation to discontinue the running of its cars within the limits of such city or town, during such portions of the winter months, and upon such terms and conditions as they may determine; said company may appeal from such decision to the board of railroad commissioners, who shall, after reasonable notice and hearing, make such a determination thereon as shall be reasonable and proper, and their decision shall be final.'

Sect. 2. For the purpose of connecting its tracks as located in the streets and ways of said city of Belfast with the tracks to be constructed on the bridge authorized by section one, the said corporation is authorized to take and hold, as for public uses, such lands as may be necessary for such connections and for the approaches to said bridge, and for the construction of said connections, bridge and approaches. Said lands shall be taken and the damages therefor be determined and paid, in the manner and under the proceedings provided in chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes, as amended, for lands taken for steam railroads.

Sect. 3. The said corporation is authorized to lease the said bridge authorized by section one, and the approaches thereto, to the city of Belfast upon such terms and with such stipulations and for such time as may be agreed upon between said corporation and the city council of said city, with the right on the part of the said city to purchase the same in such manner and on

—rates for transportation.

—issue bonds and mortgage property.

—rights of corporation are as granted by municipal officers.

—cars shall be run at reasonable hours.

—animal power may be used.

—may discontinue running of cars in winter.

—company may appeal from decisions of municipal officers, to railroad commissioners.

May take land for certain purposes.

—damages, how determined.

Company may lease bridge to city.

—city may purchase bridge.

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Charter extended two years.

such terms as shall be therein agreed; and after such lease it shall be the duty of the city council of said city, so long as the same shall remain in force, to annually appropriate a sum sufficient for the annual rental therein agreed as a part of the current expenses of said city, and such appropriations so made shall be set apart and shall not be diverted to any other use or purpose whatever. The city of Belfast is so authorized to make such lease by majority vote of its city council.

Sect. 4. The time within which the said corporation is required by general law to actually commence business, is hereby extended two years from the twenty-seventh day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

Sect. 5. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 25, 1897.

### Chapter 512.

An Act to set off a part of the town of Rome and annex the same to the town of Belgrade.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Part of town of Rome, set off, to Belgrade.

—bounds.

Sect. 1. All that part of the town of Rome in the county of Kennebec, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the eastern shore of Long pond a short distance north of the bridge at Belgrade mills, at the dividing line between land of Alanson Farnham and H. W. Golder, from said point south seventy-four degrees east on said dividing line to the new county road, so called, thence same course over said road to the east line thereof, thence south twenty-one degrees west on said east line to the north line of a road laid out by the county commissioners about eighteen hundred and forty-two, thence south seventy-eight degrees east to and over the old county road to land of T. S. Golder, thence southwesterly by said Golder's line to Mill stream and to old town line; thence by old town line to a point in Long pond which is south thirty-one degrees west from the point of beginning; thence north thirty-one degrees east to the point of beginning, is hereby set off from said town of Rome and annexed to the town of Belgrade.

Sect. 2. The sum of eight hundred dollars of the valuation of said Rome, from which the state and county taxes are assessed is hereby deducted therefrom, and the same added to the valuation of the town of Belgrade.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 25, 1897.

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Valuation  
of towns.

### Chapter 513.

An Act to amend Chapter one hundred and eighty-four of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, entitled, "An Act to incorporate the Castine Water Company."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section four of chapter one hundred and eighty-four of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, is hereby amended by adding to said section the following words; 'nor upon the observatory lot near the highest point of the peninsula of Castine, bounded northeasterly by the private way which enters High street between the land of Arthur Fuller and the late W. C. Collins, southwesterly by the land formerly known as the Back Point pasture, northwesterly by the private way leading from the first named private way adjoining said Back Point pasture, and southeasterly by the land formerly known as Perkins' front pasture, and by the land to be conveyed to said Castine Water Company,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 4. When said company shall have occasion to take, detain, divert, or use any waters as aforesaid, or take and use any lands as aforesaid, it shall cause a statement of such waters, and a description of such lands, with a plan thereof, and a statement of the amount of damages it is willing to pay each person for the property so taken or used, to be filed in the registry of deeds for Hancock county, and also in the office of town clerk of Castine, and public notices, announcing that said filing has been made, shall be conspicuously posted in said town of Castine, at the same date, and within ten days of such filing a copy of such statement and description shall be published three weeks successively in some newspaper in said Castine or Ellsworth in said county. Such water or land shall be deemed to have been taken at the date of such filing. The corporation shall occupy no

Section 4,  
chapter 184,  
private  
laws, 1895,  
amended.

Shall file  
statement  
and de-  
scription of  
lands  
taken, in  
registry of  
deeds,  
Hancock  
county and  
with town  
clerk.

—post no-  
tices.

—when  
water shall  
be deemed  
to have  
been taken.

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—lands ex-  
empted  
from.

water or lands until the expiration of ten days from the date of said filing, but may make all needful surface explorations, and surveys, and levels, on any lands or waters in said Castine, prior to such filing. The corporation shall not take, nor in any manner encroach upon the land known as Fort George in said Castine, nor the land immediately surrounding it, bounded southwesterly by land occupied by Charles F. Bates, and on the other three sides by town ways, nor upon the observatory lot near the highest point of the peninsula of Castine, bounded northeasterly by the private way which enters High street between land of Arthur Fuller and the late W. C. Collins, southwesterly by the land formerly known as the Back Point pasture, northwesterly by the private way leading from the first named way to the private way adjoining said Back Point pasture, and southeasterly by the land formerly known as Perkins' front pasture, and by the land to be conveyed to said Castine Water Company.'

Approved March 25, 1897.

### Chapter 514.

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act to revise and amend the charter of the City of Calais."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 25,  
chapter 325,  
private  
laws, 1883,  
amended.

Sect. 1. Section twenty-five of chapter three hundred and twenty-five of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-three, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "Washington" in the eighteenth line thereof the words 'except the city of Eastport and the towns of Lubec, Trescott, Cutler and Whiting, and also except all towns and plantations lying wholly or partly west of the Machias river in said county,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Exclusive  
jurisdic-  
tion, when  
debt does  
not exceed  
\$20.

'Sect. 25. Said court shall have exclusive original jurisdiction of all civil actions in which the debt or damages demanded do not exceed twenty dollars, and both parties, or one of the parties and a person summoned in good faith and on probable grounds as trustee, reside in said city of Calais; and shall have exclusive original jurisdiction of all offenses committed against the ordinances and by-laws of said city, and all such criminal offenses and misdemeanors committed therein as are cognizable

—offenses  
against by-  
laws of  
city.



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by trial justices; provided, that warrants may be issued upon complaints for offenses committed in said city of Calais, by any trial justice in said county, but all such warrants shall be made returnable before said court, and no trial justice shall take cognizance of any crime or offense committed in said city, or any civil action of which said court has exclusive jurisdiction. Said court shall have original jurisdiction concurrent with trial justices, of all such matters and things, civil and criminal, within the county of Washington, except the city of Eastport and the towns of Lubec, Trescott, Cutler and Whiting, and also except all towns and plantations lying wholly west of the Machias river in said county, as are by law within the jurisdiction of trial justices in said county.'

—warrants may be issued by trial justices.

—returnable before said court.

—concurrent jurisdiction with trial justices.

—exceptions.

Sect. 2. Section twenty-six of said chapter is hereby amended by inserting after the word "Washington" in the sixth line thereof the words 'except the city of Eastport and the towns of Lubec, Trescott, Cutler and Whiting and also except all towns and plantations lying wholly west of the Machias river in said county,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Section 26, amended.

'Sect. 26. Said court shall have original jurisdiction, concurrent with the supreme judicial court, of all civil actions in which the debt or damages demanded, exclusive of costs, do not exceed one hundred dollars, in which either party, or a person summoned in good faith and on probable grounds as trustee, resides in the county of Washington, except the city of Eastport, and the towns of Lubec, Trescott, Cutler and Whiting and also except all towns and plantations lying wholly west of the Machias river, in said county, or having his residence beyond the limits of this state, is served with process within said county. Said court shall have original jurisdiction, concurrent with the supreme judicial court in said county, of all larcenies described in sections one, six, seven, eight and nine of chapter one hundred and twenty of the revised statutes, when the value of the property is not alleged to exceed thirty dollars; of all the cases of cheating by false pretences, described in section one of chapter one hundred and twenty-six of the revised statutes, when the value of the property or other thing alleged to have been fraudulently obtained or sold does not exceed thirty dollars; of the assaults and batteries described in section twenty-eight of chapter one hundred and eighteen of the revised statutes, and of the

Concurrent jurisdiction with supreme judicial court, when debt, etc., does not exceed \$100.

—exceptions.

—concurrent jurisdiction with supreme judicial court.

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—shall not  
try actions  
in which  
title to  
real estate  
is in  
question.

—except-  
tions.

offense described in section six of chapter one hundred and twenty-four of the revised statutes, and may punish for either of said offenses by fine not exceeding fifty dollars, and by imprisonment not exceeding three months; and of all other crimes, offenses and misdemeanors committed in said county which are by law punishable by fine not exceeding fifty dollars and by imprisonment not exceeding three months; provided, that said court shall not try civil actions in which the title to real estate according to the pleadings filed in the case by either party, is in question, except as provided in chapter ninety-four, sections six and seven of the revised statutes.'

Approved March 25, 1897.

### Chapter 515.

An Act to amend Section three of Chapter one hundred and fifty of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act in relation to the municipal court of the City of Portland."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 3,  
chapter 150,  
private  
laws, 1891,  
amended.

Sect. 1. Section three of chapter one hundred and fifty of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one is hereby amended by striking out in the second line of said section the word "twelve," and inserting instead the word 'fifteen,' so that said section, as hereby amended, shall read as follows:

Salary of  
judge,  
fixed.

'Sect. 3. The salary of the judge of said court shall be fifteen hundred dollars per annum payable quarterly, in full for all services.'

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 25, 1897.

**Chapter 516.**

An Act additional relating to the appointment of a Recorder for the Bath Municipal Court.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. There shall be appointed by the governor, for said court, a recorder, who shall keep the records of said court when requested so to do by the judge; and in case of the absence of the judge from the court room, or when the office of judge shall be vacant, the recorder shall have and exercise all the powers of the judge and perform all the duties required of said judge, and shall be empowered to sign and issue all processes and papers, and to do all acts as fully and with the same effect as the judge could do were he acting in the premises; and the signature of the recorder as such, shall be sufficient evidence of his right to act instead of the judge. When the office of judge is vacant, the recorder shall be entitled to the fees; in all other cases he shall be paid by the judge. Said recorder shall reside in Bath, and shall hold his office until another is appointed in his stead.

Appoint-  
ment of  
recorder,  
who shall  
keep the  
records.

—powers  
and duties.

—fees, how  
paid.

—residence.

Sect. 2. The judge of said court may tax and shall be allowed for his services in criminal proceedings the same fees and at the same rates as are allowed by law to trial justices for like services, except that his fee for a complaint and warrant shall be one dollar, one dollar and twenty-five cents for entering complaint, swearing witnesses, rendering and recording judgment, allowing and taxing the costs and filing papers, fifty cents for making and recording each libel of intoxicating liquors, twenty-five cents for order of notice and twenty-five cents for executing order to deliver, and for the trial of a complaint two dollars for each day engaged therein; all of which fees shall inure to the city of Bath.

Compens-  
ation of  
judge.

—fees.

—how dis-  
posed of.

Sect. 3. All acts and parts of acts, inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed.

Inconsis-  
tent acts,  
repealed.

Sect. 4. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 25, 1897.

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An Act to repeal Chapter one hundred and eighty-two of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, relating to the taking of fish from Bunganeaut Pond.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Chapter 182,  
laws, 1891,  
repealed.

Sect. 1. Chapter one hundred and eighty-two of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, is hereby repealed.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 25, 1897.

**Chapter 518.**

An Act to extend the charter of the Portland and Yarmouth Electric Railway Company, and enable it to cross navigable tide waters.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Organiza-  
tion of  
Portland  
and Yar-  
mouth  
Electric  
Railway  
Company,  
con-  
firmed.

—charter  
extended.

—liable for  
damages.

The creation and organization of the Portland and Yarmouth Electric Railway Company is hereby ratified, confirmed and declared to be legal and valid, and all the provisions of chapter four hundred and seventy-seven of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three and of chapter one hundred and ten of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relative to the incorporation of the Portland and Yarmouth Electric Railway Company and all the limitations therein contained are hereby extended for and during the additional period of two years from March ninth, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven and said corporation, its successors and assigns shall have all the rights, powers and privileges that were granted by said acts, to be exercised in the same manner and for the same purposes as provided in this act. Said corporation shall be liable for any damages to water and gas pipes caused by the action of the electric current used by it.

Approved March 25, 1897.

**Chapter 519.**

An Act relating to the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary, a corporation organized under the laws of this state, and located at Portland, in the county of Cumberland, which organization is hereby ratified, confirmed and declared to be legal and valid, is authorized and empowered for the purposes of its organization, to receive, take and hold, by deed, devise, bequest, or otherwise, property, personal and real, to the amount of one million dollars, including all gifts, conveyances, bequests and devises heretofore made to said corporation; but it is not the intent of this act to affect, and nothing herein shall affect, directly or indirectly, any litigation now pending in the supreme judicial or probate courts of this state.

Corporation authorized to hold property to the amount of \$1,000,000.

—act shall not affect pending litigation.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 25, 1897.

**Chapter 520.**

An Act to establish Wards and Ward Lines in the City of Augusta.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section sixteen of chapter two hundred and twenty-four of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and forty-nine, as amended, is hereby further amended so as to read as follows:

Section 16, chapter 224, private laws, 1849, amended.

'Sect. 16. For the purpose of holding elections, said city shall be divided into eight wards, to contain as near as conveniently may be, an equal number of voters; and it shall be the duty of the city council once in ten years, and not oftener than five years, to review, and if it be needful to alter said wards, in such manner as to preserve, as nearly as many be, an equal number of inhabitants in each. Said wards are hereby established according to the following boundaries:

Wards, number and how established.

—boundaries.

Ward one embraces all the territory south of the following line; beginning at the Kennebec river on the north line of Court street extended; thence westerly on said line to the east line of

—ward 1.

**CHAP. 520** Water street; thence on the east line of Water street and of Grove street to the north line of Western avenue; thence on the north line of Western avenue to the Manchester line.

**—ward 2.** Ward two is on the north side of the division line described in ward one, and comprises the balance of ward one as it existed prior to the passage of this act, after deducting therefrom ward one as hereby established.

**—wards 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8.** Ward three embraces the same territory and has the same boundaries as the old ward two, ward four the same as the old ward three, ward five the same as the old ward four, ward six the same as the old ward five, ward seven the same as the old ward six, and ward eight the same as the old ward seven. The words 'old ward' in this description mean the ward as it existed prior to the passage of this act, and the words 'the same as' mean 'embraces the same territory and has the same boundaries as.'

**—warden and clerk shall be chosen annually in each ward.** In each of said wards there shall annually, on the second Monday of March, be chosen by ballot a warden and clerk, who shall enter on the duties of their respective offices on the Monday next following their election, and hold their offices for one year therefrom, and until others shall have been chosen and qualified in their places. Said warden and clerk shall

**—shall be sworn.** be sworn to the faithful performance of their respective duties by any justice of the peace of said city; and a certificate of such oaths having been administered shall be entered by the clerk on the records of the ward. The wardens shall preside at all

**—duties of wardens.** ward meetings, with the power of moderators of town meetings, and if at any meeting the warden should not be present the clerk of such ward shall call the meeting to order and preside until a warden, pro tempore, shall be chosen. If neither of them

**—warden, pro tem, election of.** should be present, any legal voter in the ward may preside until a clerk, pro tempore, shall be elected. In case no justice of the

**—how sworn.** peace shall be present, the person presiding may administer the oath to the warden and clerk. The clerk shall record all

**—duties of clerk.** the proceedings and certify the votes given, and deliver over to his successor in office all such records and journals, together with all other documents and papers held by him in said capacity. The inhabitants of each ward may choose two persons

**—assistant wardens may be chosen.** to assist the warden in receiving, sorting and counting the votes. The list of the names of the legal voters in each ward shall be

**—lists of voters, and ward meetings.** prepared as provided by the laws of this state; and all regular ward meetings shall be notified and called by the mayor and

aldermen, in the manner prescribed by the laws of this state for notifying and calling town meetings by the selectmen of the several towns, excepting that ward meetings for the election of mayor, after the second trial, may be called within the time provided in such cases in this act.'

Sect. 2. Section two of said chapter two hundred and twenty-four, as amended, is hereby further amended by striking out the word "seven" and inserting instead thereof the word 'eight,' and by striking out the word "fourteen" and inserting instead thereof the word 'sixteen,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 2. The administration of all the fiscal, prudential and municipal affairs of said city, with the government thereof, shall be vested in one principal magistrate, to be styled the mayor; and one council of eight to be denominated the board of aldermen; and one council of sixteen, to be denominated the common council, all of whom shall be inhabitants of said city; which boards shall constitute and be called the city council; all of whom shall be sworn to the faithful performance of the duties of their respective offices; provided, the city council shall not vote, assess or appropriate any money for any object or purpose for which the town of Augusta is not authorized to vote, assess and appropriate money, except for such purposes as are authorized by this act. And provided further, that neither the city council, nor any agent or officer of the city, shall borrow or hire any money for or on account of the city or inhabitants thereof, except for the purposes for which the town of Augusta is now by law authorized to raise money; and all notes, bonds, obligations, scrip or orders given by the city council or any officer or agent thereof for money or property obtained for any other purposes shall be void.'

Sect. 3. This act shall not be binding upon said city until accepted by a majority vote of such of the legal voters thereof as shall vote at the election as herein provided. It shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the city of Augusta for their acceptance at an election to be specially called and held for the purpose within sixty days after the approval of this act. Such election shall be called, advertised and conducted according to the law relating to municipal elections. The city clerk shall cause to be printed on the ballots used at such election the question 'Shall the wards of the city of Augusta be numbered and bounded according to the provisions of an 'An Act to establish

Section 2,  
amended.

Adminis-  
tration of  
affairs  
vested in  
the mayor.

—alder-  
men.

—council.

—power to  
raise  
money.

—power to  
hire money.

Act not  
binding, un-  
til accepted  
by voters of  
city.

—question,  
how sub-  
mitted.

—form of  
question.

**CHAP. 520** Wards and Ward Lines in the City of Augusta,' as follows,' and shall insert after said question the ward boundaries herein given, so that the voter may indicate his opinion upon said question by a cross against the words 'yes' or 'no.'

If act is accepted, new lists of voters shall be made for each ward.

Sect. 4. In case the provisions of this act are accepted as provided in section three, it shall be the duty of the board of registration of the city of Augusta when next making up the preliminary lists of voters as required by law, to make up new lists for each of the wards established by this act, placing upon said new lists the names of all voters who, according to the check lists as at present made up, and according to all other reliable sources of information of which the board may lawfully avail itself, appear to be residents of the wards hereby created. In all future registrations of voters in said city, in case the provisions of this act are accepted as aforesaid, their ward residence shall be determined according to the ward limits herein established.

Appointment of election and ballot clerks.

Sect. 5. In case the provisions of this act are accepted as provided in section three, the municipal officers of the city of Augusta shall, between the first and the twelfth days of February, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, in accordance with the existing provisions of law, appoint two election and two ballot clerks for each of the wards hereby created. Said clerks, being first duly sworn, shall enter upon the performance of their duties at the municipal election in said city, March, eighteen hundred ninety-eight. They shall hold office until May, eighteen hundred ninety-eight, and until their successors are chosen and qualified. When said clerks have been appointed and qualified, the terms of office of all such clerks then in office shall thereupon cease.

—when clerks shall enter upon duties.

—tenure.

Election of warden and ward clerk, when act is accepted.

Sect. 6. In case the provisions of this act are accepted as provided in section three, the city council of the city of Augusta shall, between the first and twelfth days of February, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, elect in joint convention, a warden and a ward clerk for each of the wards hereby created. Said wardens and ward clerks, being first duly sworn, shall serve at the municipal election in said city in March, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight. When said wardens and ward clerks have been elected and qualified, the terms of office of all wardens and ward clerks then in office shall thereupon cease.

—when such officers shall enter upon duties.

Act shall not affect tenure of

Sect. 7. This act shall not be construed to affect in any way the tenure of office of any alderman, councilman or other officer



of the city of Augusta, elected or appointed prior to the municipal election of March, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, in said city, except as provided in sections five and six.

Sect. 8. All acts and parts of acts, all provisions of the charter of the city of Augusta, and all orders and ordinances of said city inconsistent herewith, are repealed and declared inoperative and of no effect, but this repeal shall not take effect, except as to the sections specified in section nine hereof, until February twelve, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and then only in case this act shall have been accepted as provided in the third section hereof.

Sect. 9. This act, except as to sections three, four, five, six and seven, shall take effect February twelve, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and as to said sections it shall take effect when approved.

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city officers  
elected  
prior to  
election in  
1898.

Inconsis-  
tent acts,  
and ordi-  
nances, re-  
pealed.

—how re-  
peal shall  
take effect.

When act  
shall take  
effect.

### Chapter 521.

An Act to incorporate the Wilton Electric Light and Power Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. A. B. Adams, M. D., H. R. Dascomb, M. Holmes, H. S. Houghton and C. N. Blanchard, their associates, successors and assigns are hereby constituted a corporation by the name of the Wilton Electric Light and Power Company, with all the powers and subject to all the liabilities of corporations.

Corpora-  
tors.

—corporate  
name.

Sect. 2. Said company is authorized and empowered to carry on the business of lighting by electricity or otherwise, such public streets in the towns of Wilton and Jay, and such buildings and places therein, public and private as may be agreed upon by said corporation and the owners or those having control of such places to be lighted, and may furnish motive power by electricity or otherwise within said towns and may build and operate manufactories and works for providing and supplying electricity, light and power, and may take, lease, purchase and hold real estate, and personal estate to the amount of one hundred thousand dollars, and to construct, lay, maintain and operate lines of wire or other material for the transmission of electricity or power, upon, under, along and over any and all

Authorized  
to furnish  
light and  
motive  
power in  
Wilton and  
Jay.

—may hold  
real estate.

—maintain  
lines along  
streets.

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Liabie for  
damages to  
streets, etc.

—proviso.

May cross  
any sewer  
or change  
course of  
same.

—responsi-  
ble for  
damages.

Land dam-  
ages, how  
estimated.

Capital  
stock.

First meet-  
ing, how  
called.

Sect. 3. Said company shall repay to any town, any sum of money which such town may have been compelled to pay on any judgment, for any damages caused by a defect or want of repair in the streets thereof, due to the negligence of said company, or any judgment for damages caused by the neglect of said company in the erecting and maintaining posts, wires or appurtenances connected with said business; provided said company shall have notice in writing of any suit wherein such damages are claimed, and shall be allowed to defend the same at its own expense.

Sect. 4. Said company shall not be allowed to obstruct or impair the use of any public or private drain, or sewer, telegraph or telephone wire, but may cross, or when necessary, change the direction of any private wire or pipe, drain or sewer, in such a manner as not to obstruct or impair the use thereof, being responsible to the owner or other person for any injury occasioned thereby, in an action on the case.

Sect. 5. Damages for any land or other property, taken for the purpose of erecting or laying said lines, if the parties cannot agree, shall be estimated, secured and paid the same as damages in the construction of railroads.

Sect. 6. The capital stock of said company shall be ten thousand dollars divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, with the privilege of increasing said capital stock from time to time as the stockholders may determine, to any sum not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars, and said company is hereby authorized to issue bonds, in such amount not exceeding the amount of its capital stock subscribed for, and upon such rates and time as it may determine, and secure the same by a mortgage of its franchises and property.

Sect. 7. The first meeting may be called by either corporator, giving five days' written notice, by mail, to his associates, stating the time and place thereof, or by publication of said notice, at least once in a newspaper published in Franklin county, said publication to be at least five days before said meeting.

Sect. 8. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 25, 1897.

**Chapter 522.**

An Act to establish the Sanford Municipal Court.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. A municipal court is hereby established in and for the town of Sanford, to be denominated the Sanford Municipal Court, which shall have a seal, and shall be a court of record, except for and in its proceedings wherein the amount of value sued for, or in controversy, is within the jurisdiction of trial justices. Said court shall consist of one judge, who shall be a member of the bar in York county and shall reside during his continuance in said office in said town of Sanford, and who shall be appointed, qualified, and hold his office as provided in the constitution, and shall except when interested, exercise concurrent jurisdiction with justices of the peace, justices of the peace and quorum, trial justices and the municipal courts of Biddeford and Saco over all such matters and things civil and criminal within the county of York, as are by law within the jurisdiction of justices of the peace, justices of the peace and quorum, and trial justices in said county, except in action civil and criminal, over which said municipal courts of the cities of Biddeford and Saco respectively have, or may have by law, exclusive jurisdiction.

Sanford  
municipal  
court, es-  
tablished.—seal and  
court of  
record.—judge and  
qualifica-  
tions.—concur-  
rent juris-  
diction.

Sect. 2. Said municipal court shall have exclusive jurisdiction in all civil actions in which the debt or damages demanded by the plaintiff does not exceed twenty dollars, and both parties thereto have their residence in said town of Sanford, or in which some person residing in said Sanford is in good faith and on probable grounds summoned as trustee of a party defendant residing in said county of York, and shall also have exclusive jurisdiction over all offenses committed against the ordinances and by laws of said town of Sanford, and over all such criminal offenses committed within the limits of said Sanford as are cognizable by trial justices.

Exclusive  
jurisdic-  
tion, when  
debt does  
not exceed  
\$20.—in all of-  
fenses  
against  
laws of  
town.

Sect. 3. Said court shall have original jurisdiction concurrent with the supreme judicial court, in all civil actions wherein the debt or damages demanded does not exceed one hundred dollars, in which any party defendant to the actions shall reside, or, if not an inhabitant of the state, shall be comorant in the county of York; and said court shall have original jurisdiction, concurrent with the supreme judicial court and

Concur-  
rent juris-  
diction with  
supreme  
judicial  
court.

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the municipal courts of the cities of Biddeford and Saco, over crimes, offenses and misdemeanors committed in said county of York, which are, by law, punishable by fine not exceeding twenty dollars, and by imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding three months, or by sentence to the reform school.

Appeal may be taken to supreme judicial court.

Sect. 4. Any party may appeal from any judgment or sentence of said court to the supreme judicial court, in the same manner as from a sentence or judgment of a trial justice.

Judge shall not act as attorney in action brought before court.

Sect. 5. The judge of said court shall not act as attorney or counsel in any action, matter or thing, brought or to be brought in said court.

How and by whom, warrants may be issued.

Sect. 6. Warrants may be issued upon complaint for offenses committed in said town of Sanford, by the judge of said court, or either of the judges or recorders of the municipal courts of the cities of Biddeford and Saco, or by any trial justice in said county, but all such warrants shall be made returnable before said Sanford Municipal Court; and no justice of the peace, trial justice, or either of the judges or recorders of the municipal courts of the cities of Biddeford and Saco shall take other cognizance over any crime, offense or misdemeanor committed in said town of Sanford, or in any civil action where the said court has exclusive jurisdiction; nor shall any trial justice residing in said town of Sanford issue any civil or criminal process within said county other than warrants as aforesaid, nor take any cognizance thereof, except in case where the judge of said court is a party or interested in such suit or prosecution, or except in disclosures of poor debtors. Any trial justice or other judicial officer who shall violate any of the provisions of this act shall forfeit fifty dollars for each and every violation thereof, to be recovered on indictment; but nothing in this act shall be construed to prohibit any justice of the peace or trial justice from action in a ministerial capacity, or from exercising at all times all power and jurisdiction given him by any law of the United States.

—returnable before court.

—exclusive jurisdiction of all offenses committed in town.

—penalty for violation.

Terms.

Sect. 7. The court shall be held on the third Tuesday of each month, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, for the transaction of civil business, and all civil processes shall be made returnable accordingly, and said court may be adjourned from time to time, at the discretion of the judge, but shall be considered as in constant session for the trial of criminal offenses. All the provisions of law relative to pleadings, practice, and proceedings in civil actions in the supreme judicial court, are hereby

—proceedings in supreme judicial court, made applicable.

made applicable to this court, except so far as they are modified by the provisions of this act. CHAP. 522

Sect. 8. It shall be the duty of the judge of said court to make and keep the records thereof, or to cause the same to be kept, and to perform all other duties required of similar tribunals in this state; and copies of the records of said court, duly certified by said judge, shall be legal evidence in all courts.

Records,  
how kept.

Sect. 9. The governor, by and with the advice and consent of the council, shall appoint a recorder, who shall be a trial justice for the county of York, a resident of said Sanford, duly qualified, who shall be sworn by said judge, who shall keep the records of said court when requested so to do by said judge; and in case of absence from the court room or sickness of the judge, or when the office of judge shall be vacant, the recorder shall have and exercise all the powers of the judge, and perform all the duties required of said judge by this act, and shall be empowered to sign and issue all processes and papers, and all acts as fully and with the same effect as the judge could do were he acting in the premises; and the signature of the recorder as such, shall be sufficient evidence of his right to act instead of the judge. When the office of judge is vacant, the recorder shall be entitled to the fees; in all other cases he shall be paid by the judge.

Recorder,  
appoint-  
ment, quali-  
fication,  
power and  
duties of.

—when en-  
titled to  
fees.

Sect. 10. All fines and penalties awarded and received by said judge shall be accounted for and paid over, as if the same had been awarded and received by a trial justice.

How fines  
shall be dis-  
posed of.

Sect. 11. The fees of the judge which he shall demand and receive for his services shall be as follows; for every blank writ signed by him, four cents; for entry of each civil action, fifty cents; for every warrant issued by him, seventy-five cents; for the trial of an issue in a civil or criminal case, one dollar, and the same for every day occupied in the hearing of a case after the first day; and all fees not herein specified he shall receive the sums allowed for similar services to trial justices.

Fees of  
judge.

Sect. 12. Said court shall be held at such place as the town shall provide; and the town of Sanford shall have power, and it shall be its duty to raise money to purchase blank books of record, seals and dockets and blanks necessary for the use of said court, to provide a suitable room for said court, and to furnish the same in an appropriate manner.

Town shall  
provide  
court room,  
etc.

Sect. 13. The forms of writs and processes in civil actions issued by said court and the service thereof, shall be the same as now provided by law.

Writs and  
processes,  
form of.

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Costs and fees.

Sect. 14. Costs and fees allowed to parties and attorneys in all actions before said court, in which the debt or damages recovered does not exceed twenty dollars, shall be the same as are allowed in actions before trial justices; but in cases where the damages do exceed twenty dollars, the fees and costs shall be the same as in the supreme judicial court.

Laws relating to attachments, applicable to actions brought in this court.

Sect. 15. All the provisions of the statutes of this state in relation to attachments of real and personal property, and the levy of execution on the same shall be applicable to actions brought in this court, which shall have authority to issue execution to be satisfied in the same manner as though issuing from the supreme judicial court, except that no such execution shall be levied on real estate unless the debt or damages therein exceed the sum of twenty dollars.

Jurisdiction over pending suits, shall not be affected.

Sect. 16. The municipal courts of the cities of Biddeford and Saco, and trial justices in the county of York, shall have power and jurisdiction over all actions and suits pending before them at the time this act shall take effect, or commenced previous to that time and returnable before them on a day subsequent thereto, to the same extent as if this act had not passed; and in like manner shall have the same authority and jurisdiction to issue any execution on any judgment recovered, or which shall be recovered before them as aforesaid, in any action as if this act had not passed.

When judge or recorder is a party, other courts may take cognizance of any action within their jurisdiction.

Sect. 17. The municipal courts of the cities of Biddeford and Saco, or any trial justice in the town of Sanford, may take cognizance of any action, matter or thing within their jurisdiction, wherein the judge or recorder of said Sanford Municipal Court is a party or interested.

Moneys received by judge, how accounted for and disposed of.

Sect. 18. Said judge shall render to the county treasurer, semi-annually, on the second Tuesdays of April and October, a true statement in writing signed and sworn to by him, of all sums of money received or which he is entitled to receive by virtue of his said office, including all sums of money received by his recorder by virtue of his said office, for the six months ending on the last days of March and September of each year, and pay to said treasurer all money due said county; and on said second Tuesdays of April and October, he shall produce and exhibit his civil and criminal dockets to the court of county commissioners of said county for their examination, and also the original papers on file in his court, if they shall so require.

**Chapter 523.**

An Act to incorporate the new City Hall Commission of Waterville under the name of the City Hall Commission.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The mayor of the city of Waterville for the time being, W. M. Lincoln, H. R. Dunham, F. C. Thayer and C. F. Johnson, all of Waterville, in the county of Kennebec and state of Maine, and their successors to be hereafter elected in accordance with the provisions of this act, are hereby created a body corporate and politic, by the name of the City Hall Commission, and as such shall have a common seal and power to sue and be sued. The City Hall Commission shall elect a president from among their own number, and shall elect a clerk and such other officers as may be necessary, or which the city council of Waterville may hereafter, by vote, direct. At the first meeting of said incorporators they shall determine and designate two of their number other than said mayor, who shall cease to be members of said City Hall Commission at the expiration of two years therefrom, and two others of their number other than the mayor, who shall cease to be members of said commission at the expiration of four years therefrom. Their successors shall be elected for a term of four years, as provided in section twelve of this act. The city treasurer of the city of Waterville for the time being shall be treasurer, ex-officio, of the City Hall Commission, and shall keep the accounts of the money received and disbursed by him, as treasurer of the city, separate and distinct from those of the money received and disbursed by him as treasurer of said City Hall Commission.

Sect. 2. The powers and duties of said City Hall Commission shall be those heretofore conferred upon the new City Hall Commission by vote of the city council of Waterville, but said City Hall Commission shall have any other powers and perform any other duties which may hereafter from time to time be voted and conferred upon it by the city council of Waterville.

Sect. 3. The City Hall Commission are hereby authorized to issue the bonds of the corporation, to be known as the Waterville City Hall bonds, at such rates and on such times as may be approved by the city council, and for such amount as the city council may approve, not to exceed seventy-five thou-

Corpora-  
tion.

—corporate  
name.

—seal.

—officers.

—tenure of  
members of  
commis-  
sion.

—tenure of  
successors.

—treasur-  
er and  
duties.

Powers and  
duties of  
commis-  
sion.

May issue  
bonds.

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—proceeds,  
how used.

sand dollars; and the proceeds of the sale of said bonds shall be exclusively used for the purpose of erecting a city building in the city of Waterville, which city building, when completed and properly equipped with heating, lighting, ventilating and sanitary arrangements, shall not exceed the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars.

City may  
convey to  
commis-  
sion in  
trust, city  
hall and  
lot, etc., to  
secure  
bonds.

Sect. 4. The city of Waterville is hereby authorized when its city council so votes, to convey to the City Hall Commission, the corporation hereby created, in trust, its present city hall building lot in said Waterville, together with all buildings, additions and improvements existing on said city hall lot at the time of said conveyance, for the sole purpose of securing the payment of the bonds issued under the provisions of section three of this act and for no other purpose. Said City Hall Commission shall hold said property in trust for said purpose and said city hall lot with all improvements made thereon together with all buildings which shall be erected thereon by virtue of the powers of this act, shall be holden for the payment of said bonds and their coupons, which bonds and coupons shall constitute a first lien thereon subject to any existing incumbrances; and said lien shall not be impaired by said city of Waterville or by said City Hall Commission until all said bonds and coupons issued hereunder shall have been paid and said trust discharged.

—lien on  
buildings  
and lot for  
payment of  
bonds.

How lien  
may be en-  
forced.

Sect. 5. In case of default in the payment of any of said bonds or the coupons attached thereto when due, any holder thereof may petition the supreme judicial court for the county of Kennebec by bill in equity for the benefit of himself as well as for the benefit of other holders of said bonds, and said court may enforce said lien by appointment of receiver and by sale of said property, according to the usual practice in equity proceedings.

City au-  
thorized to  
raise  
money to  
pay rent,  
interest on  
bonds, etc.

—may ex-  
empt from  
taxation of.

Sect. 6. Said city of Waterville is hereby authorized and required to raise annually by taxation such sum or sums as may be necessary to pay all expenses for repairs, insurance and management of said city building, when completed, together with an annual rental of said building in a sum equal to the annual interest on the bonds issued and outstanding under the provisions of section three of this act, and shall be authorized to exempt said trust property from taxation while held in trust according to the provisions of this act.



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Sect. 7. In consideration of the rental as aforesaid, the city of Waterville shall become the tenant of said city building when completed, under such provisions and directions as the city council of Waterville may vote from time to time, with power to sublease or sublet any part or parts of said building and the proceeds of said subleasing or subletting, together with any and all other revenue derived from said city building, shall be invested in a sinking fund, which said city of Waterville is hereby authorized to create; but said sinking fund shall be used for the purchase of the bonds issued under section three of this act, and for no other purpose; provided, however, that said sinking fund, pending the purchase of said bonds, shall be deposited by the city of Waterville in any savings bank in this state, or invested in securities in which savings banks are by law in this state authorized to invest. Said city of Waterville is hereby further authorized and empowered to raise by taxation or other means such other sums from time to time as may be voted by the city council of Waterville to be added to said sinking fund or used in the purchase of any of the bonds or coupons issued under the provisions of section three of this act.

City shall become the tenant, and may let portions of building.

—revenue shall constitute a sinking fund.

—how used.

—how invested.

—city may raise money to be added to sinking fund.

Sect. 8. Bonds issued under the provisions of this act may be purchased and held by savings banks in this state.

Savings banks may hold bonds.

Sect. 9. The city of Waterville may assume the indebtedness represented by said bonds whenever it can constitutionally do so by exchanging its own bonds for the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, and said bonds shall so provide. Bonds so providing shall be deemed negotiable, and whenever all of the indebtedness is thus assumed by exchange of bonds or whenever said bonds and their coupons are all paid by reason of moneys raised as provided in section seven of this act, then, on petition of said city of Waterville, or said City Hall Commission, to the supreme judicial court for the county of Kennebec sitting in equity, said property shall be reconveyed to said city of Waterville in discharge of said trust.

City may assume indebtedness, and issue bonds in exchange for bonds of commission.

—how and when property may be reconveyed to city.

Sect. 10. Said City Hall Commission shall not sell, mortgage or in any way dispose of the property held by them in trust under the provisions of this act except solely for the purposes of the trust provided for by this act.

Commission shall not dispose of property, except for purposes of the trust.

Sect. 11. All duties and powers necessary to be exercised with respect to the erection of said city building and the care of the same after erection, not conferred upon said City Hall Com-

All powers not conferred upon commis-

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sion, shall  
be vested in  
city coun-  
cil.

—city liable  
for all  
damages.

Vacancies,  
how  
filled.

Act shall  
take effect,  
when ap-  
proved by  
the legal  
voters of  
the city.

—meeting,  
how called  
and con-  
ducted.

mission by any existing ordinance or vote of said city of Waterville or by the provisions of this act, shall be vested in the city council of Waterville. The city of Waterville and not said City Hall Commission shall be liable for all damages which said city would have been liable for in the erection of said building or the proper care of the same, had not the trust herein provided for been created.

Sect. 12. Vacancies occurring in said City Hall Commission shall be filled by the city council of Waterville.

Sect. 13. This act shall take effect whenever approved by a majority vote of the votes cast by the legal voters of the city of Waterville at a meeting of the citizens thereof qualified to vote in city affairs, held in their respective ward rooms to be warned and held in the manner now prescribed by law for holding meetings for municipal elections in said city, the voting at said meetings to be conducted under the Australian system, so called, or secret method of ballot now prescribed by law to be followed in municipal elections in said city. The ballots shall contain under blank spaces the words 'yes' and 'no.' At such meeting the polls shall be opened at eight o'clock in the forenoon and shall be closed at four o'clock in the afternoon. Wardens and clerks of the several wards shall count the ballots thrown in their respective wards, and said clerks shall certify the result of the ballot in their respective wards to the mayor and board of aldermen who shall be in session on the evening of the day on which said meeting is held, and said mayor and aldermen shall determine and announce the result of the ballot in the several wards and the city clerk shall thereupon record such result. The board of registration of said city shall be in session during the day of said meeting and shall determine the qualification of any one claiming the right to vote, if in dispute, but the list of qualified voters used at the annual spring election next preceding the day on which the meeting provided for in this act shall be held, shall be regarded as the list of voters qualified to vote in the meeting held in accordance with the provisions of this act.

Approved March 25, 1897.

**Chapter 524.**

An Act to legalize the acts of Riverside Cemetery Association of Cornish.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The secretary of the Riverside Cemetery Association of Cornish, is hereby authorized and empowered to record the original warrant, under which the association was organized, in the record book of the association, with the same effect as if it had been done at the time of its organization.

Secretary  
authorized  
to correct  
record.

Sect. 2. All acts of the said association are hereby made valid, so far as the same appear of record, and in conformity with the purposes of its organization.

Acts of  
association,  
made  
valid.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 25, 1897.

**Chapter 525.**

An Act to amend Sections four and five of Chapter six hundred and thirty-six of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-one, establishing a municipal court for the City of Lewiston, as amended.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section four of chapter six hundred and thirty-six, of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-one, establishing a municipal court for the city of Lewiston, as amended, is hereby amended by inserting in the fifth line of said section four, after the word "after" the following words; 'seven days from their date, and service thereof may be made at any time not less than seven days before the return day thereof, except that when any defendant or trustee named in any such writ is a corporation, service upon such corporation must be made at least thirty days before the return day;' and by striking out the words "the commencement of the action," in the fifth and sixth lines of section four; and section five of the same chapter is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following: 'All actions of forcible entry and detainer, and any other action in which either party shall give written notice to the adverse party ten days before the return day that he desires a trial at the first term, shall be in order for trial at

Section 4,  
chapter 636,  
private  
laws, 1871,  
amended.

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the return term, and so remain until tried or otherwise finally disposed of, unless continued by consent, or on motion of either party for good cause,' so that said sections four and five, as amended, shall read as follows:

Terms.

—actions,  
when re-  
turnable.

—terms for  
trial of ac-  
tions of  
forcible en-  
try and de-  
tainer.

—when  
judge is  
unable to  
attend,  
court may  
be ad-  
journd by  
city mar-  
shal or  
deputy,  
without  
day.

—actions  
may be  
continued.

When de-  
fendant  
may be de-  
faulted.

—when he  
shall file  
pleadings.

—actions,  
when in or-  
der for  
trial.

—when ac-  
tions of  
forcible en-  
try and de-  
tainer shall  
be in order.

'Sect. 4. Said court shall be held on the first Tuesday of each month, except the month of August, for the transaction of civil business, and all actions shall be made returnable at one of the two terms next begun and held after seven days from their date, and service thereof may be made at any time not less than seven days before the return day thereof, except that when any defendant or trustee named in any such writ is a corporation, service upon such corporation must be made at least thirty days before the return day; provided, however, that said court shall be held on every Tuesday of each month except the month of August, for the entry and trial of actions of forcible entry and detainer; and judgment in such actions may be entered on the day when the same is heard and determined; and whenever said judge is prevented from attending at the time when a court is to be held for civil business, the city marshal or his deputy may by oral proclamation adjourn said court from day to day, until said judge can attend, and in case of necessity, without day; and when so adjourned, actions brought for that term shall be entered by the clerk and they, with all other actions on the docket not otherwise disposed of, shall be continued to the next term. Said court may be adjourned from time to time, but shall be considered as in constant session for the trial of criminal offenses.'

'Sect. 5. When a defendant legally served does not appear by himself or his attorney, within the first three days of the return term he shall be defaulted as in the supreme judicial court, but the court may take off the default for sufficient cause. The defendant shall file his pleadings on the first day of the next term after the entry of the action, which shall be the same now required by law in the supreme judicial court. If the defendant does not so file his pleadings he shall be defaulted, unless the court, for good reasons shown, grant him leave to plead, or otherwise lawfully disposes of the action. All actions answered to shall be in order for trial at the next term after entry, but the court may, for good reasons shown, order the pleadings in any action of forcible entry and detainer to be filed and said actions to be tried at the first term. All actions of forcible entry and detainer, and any other action in which either party

shall have given written notice to the adverse party ten days before the return day that he desires a trial at the first term, shall be in order for trial at the return term, and so remain until tried or otherwise finally disposed of, unless continued by consent, or on motion of either party for good cause.' CHAP. 526

Approved March 26, 1897.

### Chapter 526.

An Act to incorporate the Little Spencer Dam and Improvement Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Greenleaf Lawrence, Charles Lawrence, Hiram Lawrence, Abram Newton, F. E. Boston, Charles H. Clark, John Tinkham and George A. Hewett, their associates and assigns, are hereby incorporated under the name of the Little Spencer Dam and Improvement Company, with all the powers and privileges of similar corporations.

Corpora-  
tors.

—corporate  
name.

Sect. 2. The said corporation is authorized to build dams, side dams, remove rocks, make embankments and other improvements on Little Spencer stream, and build dams to raise a head of water on any and all the lakes and ponds on said stream or its tributaries, to facilitate the driving of logs and lumber down the same, and for this purpose the said corporation may take land and materials necessary to build such dams, embankments and improvements, and may flow contiguous lands necessary to raise such head of water on such lakes and ponds, and if the parties cannot agree upon the damages the corporation shall pay the proprietors of the land and materials so taken, such damages as shall be ascertained and determined by the county commissioners for the county of Somerset, in the same manner and under the same conditions and limitations as are by law provided in the case of damage by laying out public highways; and for the damage occasioned by flowing land the said corporation shall not be liable to an action at common law, but the person injured may have a remedy by a complaint for flowing, in which the same proceedings shall be had as when a complaint is made under a statute of this state for flowing lands occasioned by raising a head of water for the working of mills.

Author-  
ized to  
build dams,  
etc., on  
Little  
Spencer  
stream.

—purposes.

—may take  
land and  
materials.

—damages,  
how esti-  
mated, if  
parties can-  
not agree.

—damage  
for flowage,  
remedy.

Sect. 3. The said corporation may demand and receive a toll for the passage of logs over their said dams and improvements,

May receive  
tolls.

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—shall have  
lien on  
logs.

—enforce-  
ment.

When tolls  
shall be re-  
duced.

—accounts,  
how au-  
dited.

Owners of  
land or  
logs may  
take inter-  
est in com-  
pany.

Amount in-  
vested, how  
repre-  
sented in all  
meetings.

Rights of  
owners in  
case of dis-  
agreement,  
how deter-  
mined.

Expense al-  
ready ac-  
crued,  
shall be in-  
cluded in  
costs, for  
improve-  
ments.

of fifteen cents for each thousand feet, board measure, woods scale; and seven and one-half cents for each thousand feet put into said stream below said dams, and said corporation shall have a lien upon all logs which may pass over any of their said dams and improvements or are put into said stream below said dams, for the payment of said toll, but the logs of each particular mark shall be holden only for the toll of such mark, and unless such toll is paid within twenty days after such logs or a major part of them shall arrive within the limits of the Kennebec Log Driving Company, said corporation may sell at public auction so much of said logs as shall be necessary to pay such toll and costs and charges, notice of the time and place of such sale being first printed in some newspaper printed in said county.

Sect. 4. When said corporation shall have received from tolls its outlay on dams, improvements and repairs made up to that time, and six per cent interest thereon, then the toll shall be reduced to a sum sufficient to keep the works in repair. The treasurer of the Kennebec Log Driving Company for the time being, is appointed to audit the accounts and determine the cost of said dams, improvements and repairs, subject to appeal, as provided in section seven.

Sect. 5. Any or all owners of land from which logs, lumber or wood is cut which passes through or over its dams or improvements shall have a right to take an interest in said company.

Sect. 6. The amount invested shall at all meetings be represented by a fixed convenient number of votes, which shall be cast by the owners of the land from which logs, wood or lumber is cut, which passes through or over its dams or improvements; and each owner shall have the right to vote in proportion to his interest in said land, by paying his proportion of the cost of building and maintaining the dams and improvements.

Sect. 7. In case of any disagreement as to the right of owners hereunder, the same shall be forthwith determined by referees agreed upon by the parties, or by the county commissioners of Somerset county, if the parties cannot agree.

Sect. 8. The cost of the improvements already erected upon said stream by Lawrence Brothers Company in eighteen hundred and ninety-six, shall be included in the cost of improvements designated in this act.

Sect. 9. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 25, 1897.

**Chapter 527.**

An Act to permit the Patten and Sherman Railroad Company to sell or lease its road.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The Patten and Sherman Railroad Company is hereby authorized and empowered to sell, lease or mortgage its line and all its improvements to any person or persons, or any other railroad corporation, which person or persons, or which latter corporation is hereby authorized to enter into such contract of sale, lease or mortgage, and the directors of the two corporations may enter into such contracts for the running of the road, and for the purchase, sale, lease or mortgage thereof, as the directors of the two companies in the exercise of their best judgment and discretion may deem for the advantage of their respective corporations.

Company  
author-  
ized to  
lease or  
mortgage  
line.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 25, 1897.

**Chapter 528.**

An Act relating to the Portland Railroad Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The Portland Railroad Company which was incorporated in the year eighteen hundred and sixty by the name of the Portland and Forest Avenue Railroad Company, is hereby authorized for the purpose of extending and improving its railroad and park system, and for the purposes heretofore authorized, to increase its capital stock from five hundred thousand dollars to one million dollars in amount.

Company  
author-  
ized to in-  
crease cap-  
ital stock.

Sect. 2. The Portland Railroad Company is hereby authorized, for the purposes aforesaid, to issue bonds in such amount and on such time and terms as it may from time to time determine, and secure the same by a mortgage or deed of trust of all its franchises, railway and property, to one or more trustees, with or without a provision for a sinking fund.

May issue  
bonds and  
mortgage  
property,  
etc.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 25, 1897.

CHAP. 529**Chapter 529.**

An Act to amend the city charter of the City of Biddeford.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Charter  
amended.

Sect. 1. Section three of chapter four hundred and eight of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-five is hereby amended by striking out all after the word "vote," in the sixteenth line, and adding thereto the following: 'The salary and compensation of the mayor shall be eight hundred and forty dollars, which shall not be increased or diminished hereafter unless by a majority vote of the qualified voters in ward meetings called for the purpose; nor shall he receive from the city any other compensation for any service by him rendered in any other capacity or agency. The aldermen and common councilmen shall receive no compensation for their services as such.'

Purposes  
for which  
money may  
be raised  
by council.

Sect. 2. The city council shall not vote, assess or appropriate any money for any object or purpose for which towns are not authorized to vote, assess or appropriate money, except for such purposes as are authorized by this act. The city council shall not order the payment of any money, nor shall the mayor draw any warrant for any purpose whatever, in excess of the amount appropriated for the current year, and at the time of said order remaining unexpended in the appropriation of the particular class or department to which such expenditures belong. Neither the city council nor any officer of the city shall have the authority to make any contract or do anything binding the city or imposing upon the city any liability to pay money until a definite amount of money shall have been appropriated for the liquidation of all pecuniary liability under said contract, or in consequence thereof, and the amount of said appropriation shall be the maximum limit of the liability of the city under any such contract or in consequence thereof; said contract to be, ab initio, null and void as to the city for any other or further liability.

—expendi-  
tures shall  
not be ex-  
cess of ap-  
propria-  
tions.

—contracts  
shall not  
be made,  
until  
money has  
been ap-  
propriated.

Overseers  
of the poor.

—clerk of  
board and  
duties.

Sect. 3. The municipal officers for and during each year shall be, and constitute the board of overseers of the poor, and shall have all the powers and perform all the duties now held and performed by the board of overseers. And the city council shall annually in the month of March or April, appoint some discreet and able person, who is an inhabitant of the city and



well versed in its municipal affairs, to be clerk of said board and who shall, under the direction and supervision of said board, have general charge and supervision of the city poor. Such person shall devote all his time to the duties of the office, and shall be paid an adequate salary therefor to be fixed by the city council.

—salary.

Sect. 4. The mayor and aldermen shall elect a city auditor, who shall hold his office for one year and shall have the powers and perform the duties usually held and performed by such officers. He shall direct and supervise the manner of keeping the books and accounts of the city. No bill or claim against the city shall be approved and allowed by the committee on accounts or warrant drawn therefor by the mayor, until such bill or claim has been presented to the auditor and he shall have certified thereon that it is proper in form and is a legal and valid claim, and shall designate under what department and appropriation the same may be due and payable. The auditor shall annually, in the month of February, cause to be published for use of the inhabitants of the city, a report containing a particular account of the receipts and expenditures of the city, and a schedule of the city property, and city debts and liabilities. Either of said officers may be removed by the mayor and aldermen.

Auditor,  
election,  
tenure,  
powers and  
duties.

—no bill  
shall be al-  
lowed, until  
certified by  
auditor.

—report  
annually.

—removal  
of.

Sect. 5. Section two of chapter one hundred and fourteen of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, and all acts or parts of acts, inconsistent with the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.

Inconsis-  
tent acts,  
repealed.

Sect. 6. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 26, 1897.

CHAP. 530**Chapter 530.**

An Act to authorize the Saint John River Bridge Company to erect and maintain four toll bridges across the Saint John River.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

St. John  
River  
Bridge  
Company,  
author-  
ized to  
erect  
bridges in  
the state of  
Maine.

—location.

Bridging  
of river, ap-  
proved.

Sect. 1. The Saint John River Bridge Company, a corporation duly chartered by the parliament of the Dominion of Canada, is hereby authorized and empowered to erect, construct, make, maintain, manage and use four toll bridges for foot passengers, carriages, teams, loaded and unloaded, and animals of all descriptions, across the Saint John river, at or near the points or places following, that is to say: one bridge from some point at or near Claire station in the province of New Brunswick, to some point at or near Fort Kent in the state of Maine; another bridge from some point in or near the village of Saint Hilaire in the province of New Brunswick, to some point at or near Frenchville in the state of Maine; another bridge from some point in or near the village of Edmundston in the province of New Brunswick to some point in the township of Saint Davids, in the state of Maine, and another bridge from some point in or near the village of Saint Leonards in the province of New Brunswick to some point in or near the village of Van Buren, in the state of Maine, in accordance with the provisions of said charter, provided, said bridges shall be so constructed and maintained as not to interfere with or obstruct the navigation of said river.

Sect. 2. The bridging of said river as aforesaid, for the purpose aforesaid is hereby approved.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 26, 1887.

**Chapter 531.**

An Act to authorize the Bath Gas and Electric Company to issue additional bonds.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The Bath Gas and Electric Company is hereby authorized to issue its consolidated bonds for the purpose of refunding or retiring its bonds already issued, of paying its debts, of extending its lines, enlarging or improving its plant, increasing its power and facilities or adding to its property in any manner authorized by law, upon such rate and time as it may deem expedient and to an amount not exceeding two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and to secure the same by mortgage upon all its franchises and property, now or hereafter acquired, subject, nevertheless, to the prior lien of all then existing mortgage bonds.

Company  
author-  
ized to issue  
consoli-  
dated  
bonds, etc.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 26, 1897.

**Chapter 532.**

An Act additional to the charter of the Portsmouth, Kittery and York Street Railway.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The Portsmouth, Kittery and York Street Railway is hereby authorized to construct and maintain a bridge so as not to unnecessarily obstruct navigation for the passage of its cars and for teams or carriages, across the tide waters of the Piscataqua river in said Kittery from the main land at or near the foot of Newmarch street in said Kittery to Badger's island.

Company  
author-  
ized to  
construct a  
bridge  
across tide  
waters.

Sect. 2. Said company is further authorized to construct and maintain a bridge so as not to unnecessarily obstruct navigation, for the passage of its cars and for teams or carriages, across the tide waters of Brave Boat harbor, between the towns of Kittery and York, between such points as may be found convenient.

May con-  
struct  
bridge  
across tide  
waters of  
Brave Boat  
harbor.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 26, 1897.

**Chapter 533.**

An Act to incorporate the Harpswell Village Corporation.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Village  
corpora-  
tion,  
created.

Sect. 1. The territory in the town of Harpswell known as Harpswell Neck, including all that part of Harpswell south of the Brunswick line and west of Merriconeag sound, and including the islands belonging to said town west of Mark island, and in the Middle bay, so called, with the inhabitants thereon, is hereby created a body politic by the name of the Harpswell Village Corporation, with all the rights and privileges granted by the laws of the state to corporations.

—territory.

—corporate  
name.

Powers.

Sect. 2. Said corporation within its territorial limits, is hereby authorized and vested with power at any legal meeting called for the purpose, to raise money to defray the expense of a police and all other necessary regulations for the better security of property and the promotion of good order within its limits; for the purchase of apparatus for the extinguishment of fires; for the construction of reservoirs to supply water; and the maintenance of a fire department. Said corporation may receive, hold, and manage gifts and devises for the purpose of public improvements within said territory.

May raise  
money to  
aid electric  
railroad.

Sect. 3. Said corporation at a legal meeting duly notified and called for that purpose, may by a vote of two-thirds of the legal voters present and voting, raise by tax or loan such sum of money as said corporation shall deem expedient, not exceeding ten thousand dollars, and may appropriate the same in such manner and on such terms as said corporation may determine, to aid in the construction of a steam or electric railroad from Brunswick village to Potts' point in said Harpswell, provided that the sum so raised shall not exceed the limitation contained in article twenty-two of the constitution of this state.

How as-  
sessed.

Sect. 4. Money raised by said corporation for any lawful purpose, including that to pay any loan obtained by section three, shall be assessed upon the property and polls, within the territory aforesaid, by its assessors, in the same manner in which the town taxes are assessed. The assessors may copy the last valuations of said property made by the assessors of the town of Harpswell, and assess the tax thereon; or if the corporation shall so direct, may correct said valuations, or make a new valuation thereof according to the principles established by the last

—valua-  
tion.

state tax, and assess the tax on that valuation, and may make abatements on taxes assessed in the same manner as assessors of towns may do.

Sect. 5. Upon a certificate being filed with the assessors of the corporation by the clerk thereof, showing the amount of money lawfully raised at any meeting, they shall proceed as soon as may be to assess the same upon the polls and estates of the persons residing, or embraced within the limits of the territory aforesaid, and upon the estates located therein of non-resident proprietors, and the assessment so made, as well as the assessment of money to repay any loan of said corporation, with interest thereon, shall be certified and delivered to the collector of said corporation, who shall collect the same as town taxes are collected, and pay the same within such time as his warrant shall prescribe, to the corporation treasurer; and said collector shall have the same power and authority in collecting the taxes so assessed as a constable, or town collector, has by law for collecting town and county taxes, and shall enforce payment of the same in the same manner as a town constable, or town collector, is required to do by law, and the said corporation shall have the same powers to direct the mode of collecting taxes as towns have in the collection thereof.

Assess-  
ments, how  
made.

—collec-  
tion of.

Sect. 6. All moneys received by said corporation from taxation, or loan, or from any other source, shall be paid to the treasurer, and he shall receive the same and pay it out on the orders of the assessors, for legitimate expenses of the corporation, and other purposes for which it may be obtained, and shall keep regular accounts of all his official transactions, and exhibit the same to the assessors when requested, and make report to each meeting of the corporation at which officers are chosen.

Treasurer  
shall re-  
ceive and  
pay out all  
moneys.

Sect. 7. Said corporation may issue its bonds for money obtained under the provisions of the third section of this act, or may issue its notes therefor; such bonds or notes shall be signed by the assessors and treasurer, and shall be upon such time, and bear such rate of interest as said corporation may find expedient.

May issue  
bonds or  
notes.

—how  
signed.

Sect. 8. Said corporation at any legal meeting may adopt a code of by-laws, not repugnant to the laws of this state, nor to its charter, for the efficient management of its affairs.

By-laws.

Sect. 9. The officers of said corporation shall consist of a clerk, treasurer, collector, three assessors, and such other officers as its by-laws may provide for, and said officers shall hold

Officers.

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—tenure.

—power.

Duties of  
the clerk.Collector  
and treas-  
urer, shall  
give bond.When char-  
ter may be  
accepted.—meetings,  
how called.Qualifica-  
tion of  
voters.Proceed-  
ings at any  
meeting,  
called to  
vote on  
question of  
accept-  
ance.

office for one year from the date of their election, and afterwards until their successors are chosen and qualified, and shall severally have all the powers and authority within the limits of said corporation that similar officers chosen by towns now have or may have; said officers shall be chosen by ballot at an annual meeting to be held in the month of April, at a place and time to be designated by the by-laws of said corporation.

Sect. 10. The clerk shall record all the doings and proceedings at the meetings of the corporation.

Sect. 11. The collector and treasurer shall each give bond with such sureties as the assessors of the corporation may approve of, in a sum not less than double the amount of the taxes raised as aforesaid, to the inhabitants of the corporation, for the faithful performance of their duties, and said bonds shall be approved in writing by the assessors, and thereafter deposited and retained by the clerk.

Sect. 12. This charter may be accepted at any time within three years from its approval by the governor, and its rejection in any calendar year shall not prevent its acceptance in any later calendar year during the time aforesaid. Thomas E. Skolfield or Jacob B. Pinkham, or either of them, may call all meetings of the inhabitants of said territory previous to the acceptance of this charter, by publishing the time, place, and objects of said meeting in a newspaper printed in Brunswick, fourteen days at least before the time of holding the meeting, and by posting a similar notice in at least three public and conspicuous places in said territory, at least seven days before the time of holding said meeting, and all subsequent meetings shall be called and notified by the assessors as town meetings are called and notified, unless said corporation shall otherwise define the manner of calling and notifying its meetings.

Sect. 13. Every person residing within the limits of said corporation, qualified to vote for governor, senators and representatives, shall be a legal voter at any meeting of said corporation.

Sect. 14. At any meeting prescribed in section twelve of this act the legal voters shall elect a moderator and clerk, both of whom shall be sworn by some justice of the peace, for the faithful discharge of their duties, and thereupon said meeting shall proceed by ballot to vote on the question of accepting this charter, and if two-thirds of all the legal voters present and voting at said meeting, shall vote in favor of its acceptance, then it shall take effect, and said corporation may immediately after

said vote is declared, proceed to the election of officers and the adoption of by-laws as provided by sections eight and nine of this act. CHAP. 534

Sect. 15. This act shall not destroy or abridge any right, power, or duty of the town of Harpswell.

Act shall not abridge rights of town.

Sect. 16. This act shall take effect when approved by the governor, but shall not bind the inhabitants of the territory aforesaid until its acceptance by them as hereinbefore provided.

When act shall take effect.

Approved March 26, 1897.

### Chapter 534.

An Act additional to the act incorporating the Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The Mutual Fire Insurance Company, incorporated by act approved February twenty-three, eighteen hundred and twenty-seven, may become a stock fire insurance company, under such name as may be adopted, not previously in use by any existing company, by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any legal meeting duly called for that purpose.

Company may become a stock company and change name.

Sect. 2. Notice of such meeting shall be published once a week for three successive weeks in some newspaper published in York county, the first publication to be made thirty days at least before the time named for said meeting, and by giving a written notice thereof to the members of said Mutual Fire Insurance Company at least fourteen days before the day of said meeting, by depositing the same in the post office, postage paid, directed to each member at his or her latest post office address.

Notice of meeting, how made.

Sect. 3. At such meeting it may, by a two-thirds vote of the members present, accept the provisions of this act; pass such new rules and by-laws, and take such further proceedings as shall make the corporation fully conform to the provisions of the general laws of this state regulating stock fire insurance companies.

At meeting, company may accept provisions of this act.

—make by-laws, etc.

Sect. 4. The capital stock of such corporation shall not be less than one hundred thousand dollars divided into shares of one hundred dollars each.

Capital stock.

Sect. 5. Directors and officers of said corporation shall hold their respective positions until the expiration of the terms for

Present officers shall hold, until

## CHAP. 534

terms ex-  
pire.

—election of  
successors.

Members  
shall be en-  
titled to  
priority, in  
subscrib-  
ing for  
stock for  
one month.

—how stock  
may be dis-  
posed of,  
after ex-  
piration of  
month.

Notice  
shall be  
given of  
change,  
when de-  
cided upon.

When capi-  
tal stock  
has been  
subscribed,  
insurance  
commis-  
sioner shall  
examine  
affairs.

—shall cer-  
tify fact of  
reorgani-  
zation.

which they were elected. Their successors shall be elected as if said corporation had been originally incorporated as a stock fire insurance company in accordance with the provisions of the general law.

Sect. 6. Every member of said corporation on the day of such meeting, shall be entitled to priority in subscribing to the capital stock of said corporation for one month after written notice has been forwarded to him as provided in section seven of this act of the opening of the books of subscription, in proportion to the amount of cash premiums paid in by such members on unexpired risks in force on the day of such meeting; at the expiration of said month, then the directors shall sell and dispose of such portion of the capital stock which shall not have been taken by the members as aforesaid, to such persons as may subscribe to the same at not less than par. To such members who are so entitled to subscribe to said capital stock but who fail so to do, the directors shall declare a dividend from the company's surplus assets of such portion thereof, if any, as shall have been earned by or contributed from premiums paid by them on their unexpired policies in force on the day of said meeting, and shall also cancel all premium notes then in force.

Sect. 7. When such change shall have been decided upon as aforesaid, then the directors shall give notice of the change and that said books have been opened and that the members of said corporation are entitled to priority in subscribing to the capital stock, by publication once a week for two successive weeks in a newspaper published in the county where said corporation is located, and by written notice thereof to all members of said Mutual Fire Insurance Company in like manner as prescribed in section two of this act.

Sect. 8. When the capital stock shall have been fully subscribed for and paid in, the directors shall notify the insurance commissioner of that fact, and thereupon the commissioner shall make or cause to be made an examination of the affairs of the company, and if he shall find that proceedings for the change thereof from a mutual fire insurance corporation to a stock insurance corporation have been regularly taken in conformity with this act, and that the capital stock shall have been fully subscribed for and paid in, in cash or in such securities as stock insurance corporations are entitled to hold under the laws of this state, then the commissioner shall certify that such examination has been made, and that the proceedings required by



this act have been regularly taken, the capital stock paid in and said corporation reorganized as an insurance stock corporation in conformity with this act, which certificate shall be filed with the secretary of state, and thereupon said corporation shall come under the provisions of the general laws of this state relating to stock fire insurance companies with all the rights and privileges which are granted to similar corporations in this state.

—certifi-  
cate shall  
be filed  
with sec-  
retary of  
state.

Sect. 9. Said company incorporated under this act shall commence, and continue business, for the term of not less than ten years from the date of this act; issuing and carrying an amount of insurance not less in volume than the amount now written by said Mutual Fire Insurance Company. And nothing herein contained shall be construed to allow the company hereby incorporated to discontinue business, and divide its surplus within said period of ten years.

Shall con-  
tinue busi-  
ness for  
not less  
than 10  
years.

Sect. 10. Such parts of the original act of incorporation as are inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, provided said corporation fully conforms to the provisions of this act.

Inconsis-  
tent acts,  
repealed.

Approved March 26, 1897.

### Chapter 535.

An Act authorizing the town of Lebanon to contract with the city of Rochester, New Hampshire, to supply the village of Lebanon with Water for fire and domestic use.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The town of Lebanon in the county of York and state of Maine is hereby authorized and empowered to contract with the city of Rochester, in the county of Strafford and state of New Hampshire, for the laying of the water pipes of said city across the Salmon Falls river in and through the streets of the village of Lebanon, adjoining the village of East Rochester, for the conveying of water to said Lebanon for fire protection, domestic use and other purposes; and for such purposes said town may grant said city all necessary rights, privileges and franchises, reserving to said city or town as they may contract the ownership and control of such subterranean pipes as may be laid by either, together with hydrants and all other fixtures and appliances necessary to such contemplated supply of water, and

Town au-  
thorised to  
contract  
for the in-  
troduction  
of  
water into  
Lebanon  
village.

**CHAP. 536** any contract made under the authority herein given shall be binding on said town.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 26, 1897.

### Chapter 536.

An Act authorizing the construction of a town way or highway over and across the tide waters of Webhannet River in Wells.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Town authorized to lay out highway across tide waters in Wells.

Sect. 1. A town way or a highway may be laid out, constructed and maintained in the manner provided in chapter eighteen of the revised statutes, across the tide waters of the Webhannet river in the town of Wells in the county of York, with a suitable draw-bridge over said tide waters; said draw-bridge to be built at some suitable and convenient point between the mouth of said Webhannet river and the Island Ledge bridge, so called.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 26, 1897.

### Chapter 537.

An Act to incorporate the town of Perham.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Town of Perham, incorporated.

Sect. 1. Township number fourteen, range four, west from the east line of the state, in the county of Aroostook, and known as Perham plantation, is hereby incorporated into a town by the name of Perham, and the inhabitants of said town are hereby vested with all the powers, privileges, immunities and liabilities of other towns.

First meeting, how called.

Sect. 2. Any justice of the peace within the county of Aroostook is hereby empowered to issue his warrant to some inhabitant of said town, directing him to notify the inhabitants thereof to meet at such time and place as he shall appoint, to choose such officers as other towns are empowered to choose at their annual town meeting.

Sect. 3. The town hereby created shall take the effects belonging to Perham plantation, and shall also assume all the obligations of said plantation.

Sect. 4. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 26, 1897.

CHAP. 538

Town takes effects and assumes obligations of plantation.

## Chapter 538.

An Act to incorporate the town of Swan's Island.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. That Swan's Island plantation in the county of Hancock, and all islands, the whole or any part of which, are within three miles from high water mark of said Swan's Island, except Marshall's island, and such islands as are now a part of Long Island plantation, be and the same are hereby incorporated into a town by the name of Swan's Island, vested with all the powers and subject to all of the duties, except as hereinafter provided, of other incorporated towns in this state.

Town of Swan's Island, incorporated.

—territory.

Sect. 2. Said town shall not be under any obligation to furnish relief to any paupers, or persons needing relief, found in Long Island plantation.

Town shall not support paupers on Long Island Plantation.

Sect. 3. The several collectors of taxes for said plantation of Swan's Island are hereby authorized and required to collect all taxes to them already committed, and settle with and pay the same to the treasurer of the town of Swan's Island.

All uncollected taxes shall be paid to town treasurer.

Sect. 4. Any justice of the peace in the county of Hancock may issue his warrant to any legal voter in the town of Swan's Island directing him to notify the inhabitants thereof to meet at a time and place specified in said warrant, giving at least seven days' notice therefor, for the choice of town officers, and to transact such business as towns are authorized to do.

First meeting, how called.

Sect. 5. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 26, 1897.

**CHAP. 536** any contract made under the authority herein given shall be binding on said town.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 26, 1897.

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Sect. 1. A town way or a highway may be laid out, constructed and maintained in the manner provided in chapter eighteen of the revised statutes, across the tide waters of the Webhannet river in the town of Wells in the county of York, with a suitable draw-bridge over said tide waters; said draw-bridge to be built at some suitable and convenient point between the mouth of said Webhannet river and the Island Ledge bridge, so called.

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Approved March 26, 1897.

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Town of  
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First meet-  
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Sect. 2. Any justice of the peace within the county of Aroostook is hereby empowered to issue his warrant to some inhabitant of said town, directing him to notify the inhabitants thereof to meet at such time and place as he shall appoint, to choose such officers as other towns are empowered to choose at their annual town meeting.

Sect. 3. The town hereby created shall take the effects belonging to Perham plantation, and shall also assume all the obligations of said plantation.

Sect. 4. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 26, 1897.

# CHAP. 538

Town takes effects and assumes obligations of plantation.

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An Act to incorporate the town of Swan's Island.

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Town of Swan's Island, incorporated.

—territory.

Sect. 2. Said town shall not be under any obligation to furnish relief to any paupers, or persons needing relief, found in Long Island plantation.

Town shall not support paupers on Long Island Plantation.

Sect. 3. The several collectors of taxes for said plantation of Swan's Island are hereby authorized and required to collect all taxes to them already committed, and settle with and pay the same to the treasurer of the town of Swan's Island.

All uncollected taxes shall be paid to town treasurer.

Sect. 4. Any justice of the peace in the county of Hancock may issue his warrant to any legal voter in the town of Swan's Island directing him to notify the inhabitants thereof to meet at a time and place specified in said warrant, giving at least seven days' notice therefor, for the choice of town officers, and to transact such business as towns are authorized to do.

First meeting, how called.

Sect. 5. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 26, 1897.

CHAP. 539**Chapter 539.**

An Act relating to the Jurisdiction of the Municipal Courts of the cities of Biddeford and Saco.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Concurrent jurisdiction of municipal courts of Biddeford and Saco.

Sect. 1. The municipal courts of the cities of Biddeford and Saco shall have concurrent jurisdiction in all civil actions in which either of said courts has had exclusive jurisdiction.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 26, 1897.

**Chapter 540.**

AN ACT for the assessment of a State Tax for the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, amounting to the sum of nine hundred and five thousand one hundred seventy-nine dollars and forty-nine cents.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 1. That each city, town, plantation, or any other place hereinafter named, within this state, shall be assessed and pay the several sums with which they respectively stand charged in the following lists; the same being in addition to the poll tax of one cent on each poll, a tax of two and three-fourths mills on the dollar of the present valuation for the current disbursements of the treasury, for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, and for the school mill fund established by an act approved February twenty-seven, eighteen hundred and seventy-two.

State tax,  
1897.

**ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY.**

Auburn .....	Nineteen thousand one hundred twenty-three dollars and eighty cents.....	\$19,123 80
Durham .....	Eight hundred ninety-eight dollars and fifty-three cents .....	896 53
East Livermore .....	One thousand seven hundred fifty-four dollars and eighteen cents .....	1,754 18
Greene .....	Eight hundred fifty-seven dollars and thirteen cents .....	857 13
Leeds .....	Nine hundred twenty-eight dollars and sixty cents .....	928 60
Lewiston .....	Thirty-eight thousand three hundred ten dollars and sixty cents.....	38,310 60
Lisbon .....	Five thousand five hundred eighty-seven dollars and sixty-six cents.....	5,587 66
Livermore .....	One thousand three hundred fifty-two dollars and sixty-one cents.....	1,352 61
Mechanic Falls .....	Two thousand four hundred ninety-one dollars and thirty-seven cents.....	2,491 37
Minot .....	Nine hundred twenty-nine dollars and seventy-seven cents .....	929 77
Poland .....	Two thousand one hundred ninety-eight dollars and fifty-six cents.....	2,198 56
Turner .....	Two thousand forty-three dollars and ten cents .....	2,043 10
Wales .....	Five hundred sixty-two dollars and eighty-two cents .....	562 82
Webster .....	One thousand four hundred fifteen dollars and ninety-seven cents.....	1,415 97
Total .....	Seventy-eight thousand four hundred fifty-four dollars and seventy cents....	\$78,454 70

**AROOSTOOK COUNTY.**

Amity .....	One hundred ninety-nine dollars and seventy cents .....	\$199 70
Ashland .....	Six hundred eighty-four dollars and twelve cents .....	684 12
Bancroft .....	One hundred ninety-five dollars and forty-eight cents .....	195 48
Benedicta .....	One hundred eighty dollars and fifty-two cents .....	180 52
Blaine .....	Five hundred fifty-six dollars and forty-one cents .....	556 41
Bridgewater .....	Seven hundred ninety-seven dollars and eighty-eight cents .....	797 88
Caribou .....	Three thousand seven hundred fifty-six dollars and eighty-four cents.....	3,756 84
Dyer Brook .....	Two hundred twenty dollars and fourteen cents .....	220 14

## AROOSTOOK COUNTY—Concluded.

Easton .....	Seven hundred two dollars and eighteen cents	\$ 702 18
Fort Fairfield.....	Three thousand three hundred twelve dollars and sixty-seven cents.....	3,312 67
Fort Kent .....	Five hundred fifteen dollars and twenty-eight cents	515 28
Frenchville .....	Five hundred thirty-seven dollars and sixty cents	537 60
Grand Isle .....	Four hundred thirty-seven dollars and sixteen cents	437 16
Haynesville .....	One hundred seventy dollars and seventy-five cents	170 75
Hersey .....	One hundred seventy-eight dollars and twenty-four cents	178 24
Hodgdon .....	Eight hundred six dollars and eighty-five cents	806 85
Houlton .....	Seven thousand one hundred sixty-eight dollars and fifty-one cents	7,168 51
Island Falls .....	Six hundred sixty-six dollars and seventeen cents	666 17
Limestone .....	Six hundred nineteen dollars and seventy-four cents	619 74
Linneus .....	Six hundred sixty-six dollars and ninety-two cents	666 92
Littleton .....	Nine hundred eighteen dollars and sixty-four cents	918 64
Ludlow .....	Three hundred thirty-one dollars and ninety-two cents	331 92
Madawaska .....	Four hundred forty-two dollars and twenty-six cents	442 26
Mapleton .....	Five hundred twenty-three dollars and forty-eight cents	523 48
Mars Hill .....	Six hundred thirty-five dollars and three cents	635 03
Masardis .....	Two hundred eight dollars and eighty-one cents	208 81
Monticello .....	Nine hundred sixteen dollars and twenty-six cents	916 26
New Limerick .....	Five hundred twenty-three dollars and fifty cents	523 50
New Sweden .....	Three hundred forty-five dollars and twenty-nine cents	345 29
Orient .....	One hundred fifty-two dollars and eighty-five cents	152 85
Presque Isle .....	Three thousand nine hundred twenty-seven dollars and sixteen cents	3,927 16
Sherman .....	Five hundred fifteen dollars and thirty cents	515 30
Smyrna .....	Three hundred thirty dollars and ninety-three cents	330 93
Van Buren .....	Five hundred forty-three dollars and thirty-two cents	543 32
Washburn .....	Six hundred thirty-three dollars and eighty-five cents	633 85
Weston .....	One hundred thirty-eight dollars and ninety-six cents	138 96
Woodland .....	Five hundred thirty-three dollars and fifty-seven cents	533 57
Cary Pl. ....	Seventy-one dollars and eighty cents....	71 80
Castle Hill Pl. ....	Two hundred eighty-eight dollars and fifty-six cents	288 56
Caswell Pl. ....	One hundred fifty-two dollars and ninety-six cents	152 96
Crystal Pl. ....	Two hundred twenty-six dollars and twenty-four cents	226 24
Cyr Pl. ....	One hundred twenty-six dollars and seventy-five cents	126 75
Hamlin Pl. ....	Two hundred three dollars and seventy cents	203 70
Macwahoc Pl. ....	One hundred ten dollars and three cents.	110 03
Merrill Pl. ....	One hundred seventy-seven dollars and thirty-two cents	177 32
Moro Pl. ....	One hundred fifty dollars and fifty-four cents	150 54
Oakfield Pl.....	Two hundred forty-five dollars and three cents	245 03
Perham Pl.....	Two hundred eighty-five dollars and one cent	285 01
St. Francis Pl.....	One hundred eight dollars and fifty-seven cents	108 57
Silver Ridge Pl.....	One hundred four dollars and thirty-nine cents	104 39
Wallagrass Pl.....	One hundred eight dollars and forty-three cents	108 43
Total .....	Thirty-six thousand three hundred fifty-three dollars and sixty-two cents.....	\$36,353 62



## AROOSTOOK COUNTY WILD LANDS.

A. R. 5, N. half, W. E. L. S.,	Forty-five dollars and forty-six cents.....	\$45 46
A. R. 5, S. half, W. E. L. S.,	Forty-five dollars and forty-six cents.....	45 46
No. 1, R. 3, W. E. L. S.,	Four hundred sixty-four dollars and seventy-eight cents .....	464 78
No. 1, R. 4, W. E. L. S., N. part.....	Sixty-nine dollars and fifty-six cents.....	69 56
No. 1, R. 4, W. E. L. S., S. part.....	Seventy-five dollars and seventy-six cents,	75 76
No. 1, R. 5, W. E. L. S., N. one-half .....	Sixty dollars and sixty-one cents.....	60 61
No. 1, R. 5, W. E. L. S., S. one-half .....	Forty-five dollars and forty-six cents.....	45 46
No. 2, R. 3, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred five dollars and eighty- seven cents .....	105 87
No. 3, R. 2, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred thirty-one dollars and thirty-one cents.....	131 31
No. 3, R. 3, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred thirty-six dollars and thirty- seven cents.....	136 37
No. 2, R. 4, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred fifty-one dollars and fifty- three cents.....	151 53
No. 3, R. 4, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred sixty-six dollars and sixty- seven cents.....	166 67
No. 4, R. 3, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents.....	121 22
Westfield Acad. G't, R. 2	One hundred ninety-six dollars and sixty-three cents.....	196 63
K, R. 2, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred eighty-one dollars and eighty-three cents.....	181 83
Cox Patent.....	Seven dollars and fifty-six cents.....	7 56
A, R. 2, W. E. L. S.,	Sixty-two dollars and sixty-three cents...	62 63
B, R. 2, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred fifty-one dollars and fifty- three cents.....	151 53
C, R. 2, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred fifty-one dollars and fifty- three cents.....	151 53
D, R. 2, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred thirty-two dollars and eighty-nine cents.....	132 89
E, R. 2, W. E. L. S.,	Eighty-seven dollars and forty-six cents.	87 46
No. 7, R. 3, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred thirty-six dollars and thirty- seven cents.....	136 37
No. 7, R. 4, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred sixty-six dollars and sixty- eight cents.....	166 68
No. 7, R. 5, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents.....	121 22
No. 8, R. 3, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred fifty-one dollars and fifty- three cents.....	151 53
No. 8, R. 4, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred fifty-one dollars and fifty- three cents.....	151 53
No. 8, R. 5, W. E. L. S.,	Eighty-six dollars and seventy-nine cents .....	86 79
No. 9, R. 3, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred six dollars and seven cents..	106 07
No. 9, R. 4, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred thirty-six dollars and thirty- seven cents.....	136 37
No. 9, R. 5, W. E. L. S.,	Seventy-five dollars and ninety cents.....	75 90
No. 9, R. 6, W. E. L. S.,	Sixty-eight dollars and seventy-five cents,	68 75
No. 9, R. 7, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred six dollars and twenty-six cents .....	106 26
No. 9, R. 8, W. E. L. S.,	Eighty-nine dollars and forty-seven cents,	89 47
No. 10, R. 3, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred eighty-one dollars and eighty-six cents .....	181 86
No. 10, R. 4, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents .....	121 22
No. 10, R. 6, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred six dollars and seventeen cents .....	106 17
No. 10, R. 7, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents .....	121 22
No. 10, R. 8, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents .....	121 22
No. 11, R. 3, W. E. L. S.,	Eighty-two dollars and fifty cents.....	82 50
No. 11, R. 4, W. E. L. S.,	Ninety dollars and ninety-two cents.....	90 92
No. 11, R. 6, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred forty-eight dollars and eleven cents .....	148 11
No. 11, R. 7, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred six dollars and seven cents,	106 07
No. 11, R. 8, W. E. L. S.,	Ninety-three dollars and six cents.....	93 06

## AROOSTOOK COUNTY WILD LANDS—Continued.

No. 11, R. 9, W.E.L.S....	One hundred twenty-six dollars and eighty-seven cents .....	\$126 87
No. 11, R. 10, W.E.L.S....	One hundred thirty-two dollars and eighty-five cents .....	132 85
No. 11, R. 11, W.E.L.S....	Ninety-one dollars and twelve cents.....	91 12
No. 11, R. 12, W.E.L.S....	Ninety-one dollars and sixty-five cents..	91 65
No. 11, R. 13, W.E.L.S....	Ninety-one dollars and sixty-six cents..	91 66
No. 11, R. 14, W.E.L.S....	One hundred thirty-six dollars and six cents .....	136 06
No. 11, R. 15, W.E.L.S....	Ninety-three dollars and twelve cents....	93 12
No. 11, R. 16, W.E.L.S....	Seventy-five dollars and seventy-six cents .....	75 76
No. 11, R. 17, W.E.L.S....	One hundred three dollars and thirteen cents .....	103 13
No. 12, R. 5, W.E.L.S....	Seventy-eight dollars and eleven cents..	78 11
No. 12, R. 6, W.E.L.S....	One hundred six dollars and seven cents,	106 07
No. 12, R. 7, W.E.L.S....	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents .....	121 22
No. 12, R. 8, W.E.L.S....	Ninety-three dollars and fifty-six cents..	93 56
No. 12, R. 9, W.E.L.S....	Ninety-one dollars and twenty-six cents,	91 26
No. 12, R. 10, W.E.L.S....	Eighty-nine dollars and thirty-six cents..	89 36
No. 12, R. 11, W.E.L.S....	Ninety-one dollars and eighty-six cents..	91 86
No. 12, R. 12, W.E.L.S....	Ninety-one dollars and eighty-eight cents .....	91 88
No. 12, R. 13, W.E.L.S....	Seventy-six dollars and ten cents.....	76 10
No. 12, R. 14, W.E.L.S....	Seventy-six dollars and forty cents.....	76 40
No. 12, R. 15, W.E.L.S....	Seventy-five dollars and ninety-three cents .....	75 93
No. 12, R. 16, W.E.L.S....	Sixty dollars and sixty-one cents.....	60 61
No. 12, R. 17, W.E.L.S....	Sixty-three dollars and seventeen cents..	63 17
No. 13, R. 4, W.E.L.S....	One hundred fifty-one dollars and fifty-three cents .....	151 53
No. 13, R. 5, W.E.L.S....	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents .....	121 22
No. 13, R. 6, W.E.L.S....	Eighty-six dollars and sixty-three cents,	86 63
No. 13, R. 7, W. E. L. S., Pine and Spruce Timber	Sixty dollars and sixty-one cents.....	60 61
Land and other growth..	Sixty dollars and sixty-one cents.....	60 61
No. 13, R. 8, W.E.L.S....	Ninety-three dollars and fifteen cents....	93 15
No. 13, R. 9, W.E.L.S....	Seventy-six dollars and five cents.....	76 05
No. 13, R. 10, W.E.L.S....	Ninety-four dollars and eighty-five cents,	94 85
No. 13, R. 11, W.E.L.S....	Ninety-three dollars and eighty-seven cents .....	93 87
No. 13, R. 12, W.E.L.S....	Ninety-one dollars and seventy-eight cents .....	91 78
No. 13, R. 13, W.E.L.S....	Ninety-one dollars and sixty-eight cents,	91 68
No. 13, R. 14, W.E.L.S....	Ninety-two dollars and thirty-eight cents .....	92 38
No. 13, R. 15, W.E.L.S....	Seventy-six dollars and fifty-two cents..	76 52
No. 13, R. 16, W.E.L.S....	One hundred six dollars and thirty-two cents .....	106 32
No. 14, R. 5, W.E.L.S....	Seventy-five dollars and seventy-six cents .....	75 76
No. 14, R. 6, W.E.L.S....	Seventy-five dollars and seventy-six cents .....	75 76
No. 14, R. 7, W.E.L.S....	Ninety dollars and ninety-two cents.....	90 92
No. 14, R. 8, W.E.L.S....	Ninety dollars and eighty-nine cents.....	90 89
No. 14, R. 9, W.E.L.S....	Seventy-four dollars and eighty-one cents .....	74 81
No. 14, R. 10, W.E.L.S....	Seventy-seven dollars and eighty cents...	77 80
No. 14, R. 11, W.E.L.S....	Ninety-two dollars and eighty-six cents..	92 86

## AROOSTOOK COUNTY WILD LANDS—Continued.

No. 14, R. 12, W.E.L.S...	One hundred six dollars and seventy-four cents .....	\$106 74
No. 14, R. 12, W.E.L.S...	Seventy-five dollars and ninety-six cents, .....	75 96
No. 14, R. 14, W.E.L.S...	One hundred nineteen dollars and sixty-three cents .....	119 63
No. 14, R. 15, W.E.L.S...	Fifty-eight dollars and sixty-four cents.. ..	58 64
No. 14, R. 16, W.E.L.S...	Sixty dollars and eighty-three cents.....	60 83
No. 15, R. 4, W.E.L.S., E. half Fryeburg Acad...	Sixty dollars and sixty-one cents.....	60 61
No. 15, R. 4, W.E.L.S., W. half Fryeburg Acad...	Fifty-three dollars and three cents.....	53 03
No. 15, R. 5, W.E.L.S....	One hundred six dollars and seven cents, .....	106 07
No. 15, R. 6, W.E.L.S....	Ninety dollars and ninety-two cents.....	90 92
No. 15, R. 7, W.E.L.S....	Ninety-one dollars and eight cents.....	91 08
No. 15, R. 8, W.E.L.S....	One hundred dollars and twenty-eight cents .....	100 28
No. 15, R. 9, W.E.L.S....	One hundred dollars and ninety cents....	100 90
No. 15, R. 10, W.E.L.S...	Sixty-one dollars and six cents.....	61 06
No. 15, R. 11, W.E.L.S...	Sixty dollars and twenty-one cents.....	60 21
No. 15, R. 12, W.E.L.S...	Eighty-eight dollars and sixty-two cents. ....	88 62
No. 15, R. 13, W.E.L.S...	Seventy-five dollars and sixty-two cents.. ..	75 62
No. 15, R. 14, W.E.L.S...	One hundred two dollars and ninety cents .....	102 90
No. 15, R. 15, W.E.L.S...	Seventy-four dollars and thirty cents.....	74 30
No. 16, R. 3, W.E.L.S....	Eighty-two dollars and sixty-five cents... ..	82 65
No. 16, R. 4, W.E.L.S....	One hundred six dollars and seven cents. ....	106 07
No. 16, R. 5, W.E.L.S....	Sixty dollars and sixty-one cents.....	60 61
No. 16, R. 6, W.E.L.S....	Sixty dollars and seventy-two cents.....	60 72
No. 16, R. 7, W.E.L.S....	Seventy-five dollars and seventy-six cents, .....	75 76
No. 16, R. 8, W.E.L.S....	Seventy-seven dollars and sixteen cents. ....	77 16
No. 16, R. 9, W.E.L.S....	One hundred seven dollars and fifty-one cents .....	107 51
No. 16, R. 10, W.E.L.S...	Fifty-four dollars and eighty-eight cents, .....	54 88
No. 16, R. 11, W.E.L.S...	Fifty-nine dollars and eighty-two cents, .....	59 82
No. 16, R. 12, W.E.L.S...	Sixty dollars and twenty-seven cents.....	60 27
No. 16, R. 13, W.E.L.S...	Sixty dollars and sixty-one cents.....	60 61
No. 16, R. 14, W.E.L.S...	One hundred seventeen dollars and sixty-four cents .....	117 64
No. 17, R. 3, W.E.L.S....	Eighty-four dollars and eighty-three cents .....	84 83
No. 17, R. 4, W.E.L.S....	Seventy-five dollars and seventy-six cents .....	75 76
No. 17, R. 5, W.E.L.S....	Forty-one dollars and thirty cents.....	41 30
No. 17, R. 6, New Can- ada, W. E. L. S.....	One hundred six dollars and seven cents.. ..	106 07
No. 17, R. 8, St. John, W. E. L. S.....	Ninety dollars and sixty-eight cents.....	90 68
No. 17, R. 10, W.E.L.S...	Forty-two dollars and thirty-five cents... ..	42 35
No. 17, R. 11, W.E.L.S...	Sixty dollars and sixteen cents.....	60 16
No. 17, R. 12, W.E.L.S...	Sixty dollars and sixty cents.....	60 60
No. 17, R. 13, W.E.L.S...	Sixty-one dollars and thirty-two cents....	61 32
No. 17, R. 14, W.E.L.S...	Thirty-six dollars and forty-eight cents.. ..	36 48
No. 18, R. 10, W.E.L.S...	Sixty-one dollars and forty-seven cents... ..	61 47
No. 18, R. 11, W.E.L.S...	Ninety-one dollars and thirty-two cents, .....	91 32

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## AROOSTOOK COUNTY WILD LANDS—Concluded.

No. 18, R. 12, W.E.L.S...	Seventy-six dollars and eight cents.....	\$76 08
No. 18, R. 13, W.E.L.S...	Fifty-five dollars and fourteen cents.....	55 14
No. 19, R. 11, W.E.L.S...	Ninety dollars.....	90 00
No. 19, R. 12, W.E.L.S...	Eighty-eight dollars and eighty cents....	88 80
No. 20, R. 11 and 12, W. E. L. S.....	One hundred seventy-three dollars and twenty-five cents.....	173 25
Total .....	Twelve thousand eight hundred one dol- lars and eighty-seven cents.....	\$12,801 87

## AROOSTOOK COUNTY—TIMBER AND GRASS ON RESERVED LANDS.

A, R. 2, W.E.L.S.....	Two dollars and forty-eight cents.....	\$2 48
C, R. 2, W.E.L.S.....	Five dollars and fifty cents.....	5 50
D, R. 2, W.E.L.S.....	Four dollars and thirty-five cents.....	4 35
E, R. 2, W.E.L.S.....	Two dollars and forty-eight cents.....	2 48
No. 3, R. 3, W.E.L.S.....	Four dollars and six cents.....	4 06
No. 4, R. 3, W.E.L.S.....	Three dollars and seventy cents.....	3 70
No. 7, R. 3, W.E.L.S.....	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 8, R. 3, W.E.L.S.....	Four dollars and sixty-two cents.....	4 62
No. 9, R. 3, W.E.L.S.....	Three dollars and forty-three cents.....	3 43
No. 10, R. 3, W.E.L.S.....	Five dollars and fifty cents.....	5 50
No. 17, R. 3, W.E.L.S.....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 1, R. 4, W.E.L.S.....	Five dollars and twenty-eight cents.....	5 28
No. 2, R. 4, W.E.L.S.....	Five dollars and twenty-eight cents.....	5 28
No. 3, R. 4, W.E.L.S.....	Six dollars and nineteen cents.....	6 19
No. 7, R. 4, W.E.L.S.....	Five dollars and fifty cents.....	5 50
No. 8, R. 4, W.E.L.S.....	Four dollars and thirteen cents.....	4 13
No. 9, R. 4, W.E.L.S.....	Three dollars and forty-three cents.....	3 43
No. 10, R. 4, W.E.L.S.....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 11, R. 4, W.E.L.S.....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 16, R. 4, W.E.L.S.....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 17, R. 4, W.E.L.S.....	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 1, R. 5, W.E.L.S.....	Five dollars and twenty-eight cents.....	5 28
No. 7, R. 5, W.E.L.S.....	Three dollars and forty-three cents.....	3 43
No. 8, R. 5, W.E.L.S.....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 9, R. 5, W.E.L.S.....	One dollar and thirty-eight cents.....	1 38
No. 12, R. 5, W.E.L.S.....	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 13, R. 5, W.E.L.S.....	Four dollars and thirteen cents.....	4 13
No. 14, R. 5, W.E.L.S.....	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 15, R. 5, W.E.L.S.....	Three dollars and forty-three cents.....	3 43
No. 16, R. 5, W.E.L.S.....	One dollar and thirty-eight cents.....	1 38
No. 17, R. 5, W.E.L.S.....	Sixty-nine cents .....	69
No. 10, R. 6, W.E.L.S.....	Three dollars and forty-three cents.....	3 43
No. 14, R. 6, W.E.L.S.....	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 15, R. 6, W.E.L.S.....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75

## AROOSTOOK COUNTY—TIMBER AND GRASS—Continued.

No. 16, R. 6, W.E.L.S....	One dollar and thirty-eight cents.....	\$1 38
No. 9, R. 7, W.E.L.S.....	Three dollars and forty-three cents.....	3 43
No. 10, R. 7, W.E.L.S....	Four dollars and thirteen cents.....	4 13
No. 11, R. 7, W.E.L.S....	Three dollars and forty-three cents.....	3 43
No. 12, R. 7, W.E.L.S....	Four dollars and thirteen cents.....	4 13
No. 13, R. 7, W.E.L.S....	Four dollars and thirteen cents.....	4 13
No. 14, R. 7, W.E.L.S....	Four dollars and thirteen cents.....	4 13
No. 9, R. 8, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 10, R. 8, W.E.L.S....	Four dollars and twelve cents.....	4 12
No. 11, R. 8, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 12, R. 8, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 13, R. 8, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 14, R. 8, W.E.L.S....	Three dollars and forty-four cents.....	3 44
No. 15, R. 8, W.E.L.S....	Three dollars and forty-four cents.....	3 44
No. 16, R. 8, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 11, R. 9, W.E.L.S....	Four dollars and twelve cents.....	4 12
No. 12, R. 9, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 13, R. 9, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 14, R. 9, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 16, R. 9, W.E.L.S....	Four dollars and twelve cents.....	4 12
No. 11, R. 10, W.E.L.S....	Four dollars and twelve cents.....	4 12
No. 12, R. 10, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 13, R. 10, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 14, R. 10, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 15, R. 10, W.E.L.S....	One dollar and thirty-eight cents.....	1 38
No. 18, R. 10, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and sixty cents.....	2 60
No. 11, R. 11, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 12, R. 11, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 13, R. 11, W.E.L.S....	One dollar and seventy-two cents.....	1 72
No. 14, R. 11, W.E.L.S....	Three dollars and forty-four cents.....	3 44
No. 15, R. 11, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 18, R. 11, W.E.L.S....	Three dollars and forty-four cents.....	3 44
No. 19, R. 11, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 20, R. 11 & 12, W.E.L.S.	Three dollars and forty-four cents.....	3 44
No. 11, R. 12, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 12, R. 12, W.E.L.S....	Three dollars and forty-four cents.....	3 44
No. 13, R. 12, W.E.L.S....	Three dollars and forty-four cents.....	3 44
No. 14, R. 12, W.E.L.S....	Three dollars and forty-four cents.....	3 44
No. 15, R. 12, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 16, R. 12, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 17, R. 12, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 18, R. 12, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 19, R. 12, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 11, R. 13, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 12, R. 13, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75

## AROOSTOOK COUNTY—TIMBER AND GRASS—Concluded.

No. 13, R. 13, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	\$2 75
No. 14, R. 13, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 15, R. 13, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 16, R. 13, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 17, R. 13, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 18, R. 13, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 11, R. 14, W.E.L.S....	Five dollars and fifty cents.....	5 50
No. 12, R. 14, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 13, R. 14, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 14, R. 14, W.E.L.S....	Four dollars and twelve cents.....	4 12
No. 15, R. 14, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 16, R. 14, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 17, R. 14, W.E.L.S....	One dollar and fifty-five cents.....	1 55
No. 11, R. 15, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 12, R. 15, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 13, R. 15, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 14, R. 15, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 15, R. 15, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 11, R. 16, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 12, R. 16, W.E.L.S....	One dollar and seventy-two cents.....	1 72
No. 13, R. 16, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and fifty-eight cents.....	2 58
No. 14, R. 16, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and forty-one cents.....	2 41
No. 11, R. 17, W.E.L.S....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 12, R. 17, W.E.L.S....	One dollar and seventy-three cents.....	1 73
Total .....	Three hundred fourteen dollars and twenty-six cents.....	\$314 26

## CUMBERLAND COUNTY.

Baldwin .....	One thousand eighty-seven dollars and forty-two cents .....	\$1,087 42
Bridgton .....	Three thousand six hundred twenty-six dollars and thirty-one cents .....	3,628 31
Brunswick .....	Ten thousand eight hundred fifteen dollars and eighty-six cents .....	10,815 86
Cape Elizabeth .....	One thousand five hundred fifty-one dollars and thirty-six cents .....	1,551 36
Casco .....	Seven hundred thirty-one dollars and twenty-three cents .....	731 23
Cumberland .....	Two thousand one hundred thirty-six dollars and seventy-four cents .....	2,136 74
Deering .....	Eleven thousand two hundred seventy-eight dollars and fifty-four cents .....	11,278 54
Falmouth .....	Two thousand four hundred ninety-nine dollars and twenty-seven cents .....	2,499 27
Freeport .....	Three thousand four hundred sixty-nine dollars and three cents .....	3,469 03
Gorham .....	Three thousand nine hundred fifty-six dollars and fifty-four cents .....	3,956 54
Gray .....	One thousand six hundred eleven dollars and twenty cents .....	1,611 20
Harpawell .....	One thousand six hundred thirty-seven dollars and fifty-seven cents .....	1,637 57
Harrison .....	One thousand one hundred five dollars and twenty-three cents .....	1,105 23
Naples .....	Six hundred forty-seven dollars and forty-two cents .....	647 42
New Gloucester .....	Two thousand six hundred thirty-six dollars and forty-eight cents .....	2,636 48
North Yarmouth .....	Nine hundred ninety-seven dollars and ninety-four cents .....	997 94
Otisfield .....	Seven hundred thirty-four dollars and sixty-one cents .....	734 61
Portland .....	One hundred twelve thousand five hundred seventy-one dollars and sixty-nine cents .....	112,571 69
Pownal .....	Seven hundred eighty-nine dollars and sixty-six cents .....	789 66
Raymond .....	Six hundred one dollars and sixty-six cents .....	601 66
Scarborough .....	Two thousand four hundred seventy-six dollars and thirty-five cents .....	2,476 35
Sebago .....	Four hundred fifty-one dollars and nine cents .....	451 09
South Portland .....	Five thousand six hundred nine dollars and two cents .....	5,609 02
Standish .....	One thousand six hundred twenty-seven dollars and sixty-two cents .....	1,627 62
Westbrook .....	Ten thousand five hundred fifteen dollars and sixty-nine cents .....	10,515 09
Windham .....	Two thousand seven hundred forty-six dollars and nine cents .....	2,746 09
Yarmouth .....	Three thousand four hundred ninety-six dollars and fifty-seven cents .....	3,496 57
Total .....	One hundred ninety-one thousand four hundred eight dollars and nineteen cents .....	\$191,408 19

## FRANKLIN COUNTY.

Avon .....	Three hundred seventy-six dollars and sixty-six cents.....	\$376 66
Carthage .....	Three hundred two dollars and forty-four cents.....	302 44
Chesterville .....	Seven hundred thirty-six dollars and thirty-six cents.....	736 36
Eustis .....	Three hundred twenty-two dollars and twenty-two cents.....	322 22
Farmington .....	Five thousand three hundred ninety-eight dollars and ninety-seven cents.....	5,398 97
Freeman .....	Two hundred seventy-two dollars and eighty-four cents.....	272 84
Industry .....	Two hundred ninety-eight dollars and twelve cents.....	298 12
Jay .....	Three thousand five hundred twenty-eight dollars and sixteen cents.....	3,528 16
Kingfield .....	Six hundred forty-one dollars and forty-five cents.....	641 45
Madrid .....	Two hundred thirty-six dollars and sixty-one cents.....	236 61
New Sharon.....	One thousand one hundred fifteen dollars and eighty-two cents.....	1,115 82
New Vineyard.....	Four hundred seventy-five dollars and sixty-five cents.....	475 65
Phillips .....	One thousand four hundred sixteen dollars and eighty-eight cents.....	1,416 88
Rangeley .....	Six hundred twenty dollars and three cents.....	620 03
Salem .....	One hundred twenty-four dollars and fourteen cents.....	124 14
Strong .....	Six hundred eighty-four dollars and eleven cents.....	684 11
Temple .....	Three hundred fifty-nine dollars and nineteen cents.....	359 19
Weld .....	Five hundred thirty-five dollars and sixty-nine cents.....	535 69
Wilton .....	One thousand nine hundred forty dollars and ninety cents.....	1,940 90
Total .....	Nineteen thousand three hundred eighty-six dollars and twenty-four cents.....	\$19,386 24

## FRANKLIN COUNTY WILD LANDS.

No. 4, Washington Pl.....	Five dollars and fifty cents.....	\$ 5 50
No. 2, R. 1, E. half Sandy River, W. B. K. P.....	Thirty-six dollars and ninety-six cents..	36 96
No. 2, R. 1, W. part Greenvale Pl., W. B. K. P.....	Fifty-two dollars and eighty cents.....	52 80
No. 3, R. 1, Rangeley Pl., W. B. K. P.....	One hundred ninety-two dollars and fifty cents.....	192 50
No. 4, R. 1, B. K. P.....	Fifty-two dollars and eighty cents.....	52 80
No. 4, R. 2, B. K. P. part	One hundred ten dollars and twenty-two cents.....	110 22
No. 4, R. 2, B. K. P. part	Four dollars and twelve cents.....	4 12
No. 4, R. 3, B. K. P., S. half	Twenty-six dollars and ninety cents.....	26 90
D. R. 1, including D. Gore .....	Two hundred eleven dollars and forty-one cents.....	211 41
No. 1, R. 2, W. B. K. P..	One hundred ninety-six dollars and ninety-eight cents .....	196 96
No. 2, R. 2, W. B. K. P., Dallas Pl .....	One hundred six dollars and seven cents,	106 07
No. 1, R. 3, Coplin Pl., W. B. K. P.....	Ninety dollars and ninety-two cents.....	90 92
No. 2, R. 3, W. B. K. P..	Sixty dollars and sixty-one cents.....	60 61
No. 3, R. 3, W. B. K. P..	One hundred thirty-seven dollars and fifty cents .....	137 50
No. 3, R. 2, B. K. P.....	One hundred twenty-four dollars and thirteen cents .....	124 13
No. 2, R. 4, W. B. K. P., north half.....	Sixty dollars and sixty-one cents.....	60 61
No. 2, R. 4, W. B. K. P., south half.....	Sixty-eight dollars and eighteen cents....	68 18
No. 3, R. 4, W. B. K. P..	Seventy-six dollars and thirty-five cents,	76 35



## FRANKLIN COUNTY WILD LANDS—Concluded.

No. 1, R. 5, W. B. K. P..	Forty-three dollars and forty-eight cents,	\$ 43 48
No. 2, R. 5, W. B. K. P..	One hundred six dollars and six cents....	106 06
No. 3, R. 5, W. B. K. P..	Two hundred seventy-seven dollars and twenty cents .....	277 20
No. 1, R. 6, S. half, W. B. K. P.....	Thirty-six dollars and fifty-six cents....	36 56
No. 1, R. 6, N. half, W. B. K. P.....	Forty-one dollars and forty-one cents...	41 41
No. 2, R. 6, W. B. K. P..	One hundred seventy-one dollars and eighty-eight cents .....	171 88
No. 3, R. 6, W. B. K. P..	Fifty-nine dollars and thirty-one cents..	59 31
No. 1, R. 7, W. B. K. P..	One hundred thirty-eight dollars and eighty-seven cents .....	138 87
No. 2, R. 7, W. B. K. P..	Thirty-five dollars and forty-eight cents,	35 48
No. 1, R. 8, W. B. K. P..	Ninety dollars and five cents.....	90 05
No. 2, R. 8, W. B. K. P..	One hundred ninety-two dollars and fifty cents .....	192 50
Gore north of Nos. 2 and 3, R. 6.....	Sixty-eight dollars and seventy-five cents .....	68 75
No. 6, N. of Weld & be- tween Phillips and By- ron .....	Two hundred thirty-eight dollars and sixty-seven cents .....	238 67
Gore north of No. 1, R. 8	Twenty-nine dollars and fifty-three cents .....	29 53
Letter E Pl.....	One hundred sixty-nine dollars and nine- ty-five cents .....	169 95
Perkins Pl.....	Forty-four dollars .....	44 00
Total .....	Three thousand three hundred fifty-eight dollars and twenty-six cents.....	\$3,358 26

## FRANKLIN COUNTY—TIMBER AND GRASS ON RESERVED LANDS.

D., R. 1.....	Six dollars and sixty cents.....	\$6 60
No. 1, R. 2, W. B. K. P..	Eight dollars and twenty-five cents.....	8 25
No. 3, R. 3, W. B. K. P..	Five dollars and twenty-eight cents.....	5 28
No. 2, R. 4, W. B. K. P..	Four dollars and thirty-eight cents.....	4 38
No. 3, R. 4, W. B. K. P..	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 1, R. 5, W. B. K. P..	One dollar and thirty-two cents.....	1 32
No. 2, R. 5, W. B. K. P..	Four dollars and thirteen cents.....	4 13
No. 3, R. 5, W. B. K. P..	Ten dollars and fifty-six cents.....	10 56
No. 1, R. 6, W. B. K. P..	One dollar and sixty cents.....	1 60
No. 2, R. 6, W. B. K. P..	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 3, R. 6, W. B. K. P..	One dollar and sixty-two cents.....	1 62
No. 1, R. 7, W. B. K. P..	Four dollars and thirteen cents.....	4 13
No. 2, R. 7, W. B. K. P..	One dollar and seven cents.....	1 07
No. 1, R. 8, W. B. K. P..	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 2, R. 8, W. B. K. P..	Twelve dollars and thirty-seven cents....	12 37
No. 4, R. 1, B. P. W. K. R	One dollar and thirty-two cents.....	1 32
No. 3, R. 2, B. P. W. K. R	Three dollars and thirty cents.....	3 30
No. 4, R. 2, B. P. W. K. R	Three dollars and thirty cents.....	3 30
No. 4, R. 3, S. ½, B. P. W. K. R.....	Sixty-six cents .....	66
Tract north of No. 1, R. 8, W. B. K. P.....	Two dollars and sixty-six cents.....	2 66
Total .....	Eighty-one dollars and thirty-two cents,	\$81 32

## HANCOCK COUNTY.

Amherst .....	Two hundred thirty-two dollars and twenty-five cents .....	\$232 25
Aurora .....	One hundred twelve dollars and sixty-two cents .....	112 62
Bluehill .....	One thousand five hundred six dollars and forty-five cents .....	1,506 45
Brooklin .....	Four hundred seventy-four dollars and twenty-six cents .....	474 26
Brooksville .....	Five hundred thirty-nine dollars and thirty-one cents .....	539 31
Bucksport .....	Two thousand eight hundred thirty-one dollars and sixty-nine cents .....	2,831 69
Castine .....	One thousand ninety-six dollars and ten cents .....	1,096 10
Cranberry Isles.....	Two hundred ninety-four dollars and seventy cents .....	294 70
Deer Isle.....	Nine hundred forty-seven dollars and fifty-nine cents .....	947 59
Dedham .....	One hundred ninety-six dollars and ninety-seven cents .....	196 97
Eastbrook .....	One hundred twenty-seven dollars and thirty-eight cents .....	127 38
Eden .....	Twelve thousand one hundred fifteen dollars and eighty-six cents .....	12,115 86
Ellsworth .....	Five thousand two hundred fifty-seven dollars and eighty-four cents .....	5,257 84
Franklin .....	Eight hundred fifty-eight dollars and twenty-four cents .....	858 24
Gouldsboro .....	Seven hundred two dollars and ninety-one cents .....	702 91
Hancock .....	Eight hundred dollars and thirteen cents .....	800 13
Isle au Haut.....	One hundred eighty-four dollars and forty-three cents .....	184 43
Lamoine .....	Four hundred ninety-seven dollars and eighty-two cents .....	497 82
Mariaville .....	One hundred eighty-one dollars and thirty-eight cents .....	181 38
Mount Desert.....	One thousand nine hundred ninety-eight dollars and twenty-three cents .....	1,998 23
Orland .....	Seven hundred seventy-eight dollars and fifty-one cents .....	778 51
Otis .....	Sixty-six dollars and forty-one cents....	66 41
Penobscot .....	Seven hundred fifteen dollars and ninety-nine cents .....	715 99
Sedgwick .....	Five hundred thirty-six dollars and fifty cents .....	536 50
Sorrento .....	Five hundred thirty dollars and seventy-one cents .....	530 71
Stonington .....	Five hundred thirty-three dollars and one cent .....	533 01
Sullivan .....	Seven hundred seventy-eight dollars and fifty-six cents .....	778 56
Surry .....	Five hundred seven dollars and fifty-five cents .....	507 55
Tremont .....	One thousand five hundred sixty-two dollars and fifty-one cents .....	1,562 51
Trenton .....	Three hundred forty-eight dollars and seventy-nine cents .....	348 79
Verona .....	One hundred seventy-two dollars and sixty-two cents .....	172 62
Waltham .....	Two hundred seven dollars and seventy-two cents .....	207 72
Winter Harbor.....	Six hundred forty-six dollars and seventy-nine cents .....	646 79
Swan's Island Pl.....	Three hundred forty-seven dollars and thirty-two cents .....	347 32
Long Island Pl.....	Seventy dollars and ten cents .....	70 10
Total .....	Thirty-eight thousand seven hundred fifty-nine dollars and twenty-five cents .....	\$38,759 25

## HANCOCK COUNTY WILD LANDS.

No. 3, North Division....	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents .....	\$121 22
No. 4, North Division....	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents .....	121 22
Strip N. of No. 3, N. Div	Forty-three dollars and fourteen cents..	43 14
Strip N. of No. 4, N. Div.	Forty-three dollars and fourteen cents..	43 14
No. 7, South Div. N. ½..	Forty-five dollars and forty-six cents....	45 46
No. 7, South Div. S. ½..	Twenty-two dollars and seventy-three cents .....	22 73
No. 8, South Division....	Thirty-three dollars .....	33 00
No. 9, South Division....	Eleven dollars and eighty-eight cents....	11 88
No. 10, adjoining Steuben	Sixty-three dollars and seven cents.....	63 07
No. 16, Middle Division...	Forty-five dollars and forty-six cents....	45 46
No. 21, Middle Division...	Ninety dollars and ninety-two cents.....	90 92
No. 22, Middle Division...	Ninety dollars and ninety-two cents.....	90 92
No. 28, Middle Division...	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents .....	121 22
No. 32, Middle Division...	One hundred six dollars and seven cents..	106 07
No. 33, Middle Division...	Seventy-five dollars and seventy-six cents .....	75 76
No. 34, Middle Division...	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents .....	121 22
No. 35, Middle Division...	Eighty-two dollars and sixty-six cents...	82 66
No. 39, Middle Division...	One hundred six dollars and six cents....	106 06
No. 40, Middle Division...	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents .....	121 22
No. 41, Middle Division...	One hundred six dollars and seven cents..	106 07
Butter Island.....	Seven dollars and seventy cents.....	7 70
Eagle Island.....	Thirteen dollars and seventy-five cents..	13 75
Spruce Head & Bear Isl'd	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
Beach Island.....	One dollar and sixty-five cents.....	1 65
Hog Island.....	Four dollars and forty cents.....	4 40
Bradbury's Island.....	Three dollars and thirty cents.....	3 30
Pond,near little Deer Isle	Fifty-five cents .....	55
Western Island.....	Fifty-five cents .....	55
Little Spruce Island.....	Sixty-nine cents .....	69
Marshall's Island.....	Thirteen dollars and seventy-five cents..	13 75
Pickering's Island.....	Nine dollars and seven cents.....	9 07
Old Harbor Island.....	Nine dollars and thirty-five cents.....	9 35
Total .....	One thousand six hundred thirty-nine dollars and ninety-five cents .....	\$1,639 95

## HANCOCK COUNTY—TIMBER AND GRASS ON RESERVED LANDS.

No. 3, North Division....	Two dollars and sixty-four cents.....	\$1 64
No. 4, North Division....	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 7, South Division....	One dollar and thirty-two cents.....	1 32
No. 8, South Division....	One dollar and ninety-eight cents.....	1 98
No. 10, Adjoining Steuben	One dollar and thirty-two cents.....	1 32
No. 16, Middle Division...	One dollar and thirty-two cents.....	1 32
No. 22, Middle Division...	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 28, Middle Division...	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96

## HANCOCK COUNTY—TIMBER AND GRASS—Concluded.

No. 32, Middle Division...	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	\$3 96
No. 34, Middle Division...	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 35, Middle Division...	Two dollars and sixty-four cents.....	2 64
No. 39, Middle Division...	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 40, Middle Division...	Five dollars and twenty-eight cents.....	5 28
No. 41, Middle Division...	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
Total .....	Forty-four dollars and twenty-two cents,	\$44 22

## KENNEBEC COUNTY.

Albion .....	One thousand fifty seven dollars and three cents.....	\$1,057 03
Augusta .....	Twenty-two thousand five hundred thirty-seven dollars and twenty-three cents...	22,537 23
Belgrade .....	One thousand one hundred sixty-nine dollars and eighty-one cents.....	1,169 81
Benton .....	One thousand one hundred thirty-four dollars and forty cents.....	1,134 40
Chelsea .....	Six hundred twenty-seven dollars and fifty-five cents.....	627 55
China .....	One thousand five hundred fifty-four dollars and six cents.....	1,554 06
Clinton .....	One thousand six hundred sixty-six dollars and thirteen cents.....	1,666 13
Farmingdale .....	One thousand four hundred dollars and ninety-five cents.....	1,400 95
Fayette .....	Five hundred eighty-seven dollars and forty-three cents.....	587 43
Gardiner .....	Ten thousand eight hundred twenty-three dollars and forty-seven cents.....	10,823 47
Hallowell .....	Four thousand three hundred eight dollars and forty-seven cents.....	4,308 47
Litchfield .....	One thousand thirty-two dollars and ninety-one cents.....	1,032 91
Manchester .....	Seven hundred three dollars and ninety cents.....	703 90
Monmouth .....	One thousand nine hundred fifty-nine dollars and thirty-three cents.....	1,959 33
Mount Vernon.....	Nine hundred seventy-six dollars and twenty-three cents.....	976 23
Oakland .....	Two thousand five hundred thirty-three dollars and ninety-eight cents.....	2,533 98
Pittston .....	One thousand three hundred seventy-one dollars and twenty-four cents.....	1,371 24
Randolph .....	Nine hundred fifteen dollars and fourteen cents.....	915 14
Readfield .....	One thousand five hundred eighty-two dollars and thirty-seven cents.....	1,582 37
Rome .....	Two hundred forty-one dollars and eighty-two cents.....	241 82
Sidney .....	One thousand three hundred forty-five dollars and forty-one cents.....	1,345 41
Vassalborough .....	Two thousand four hundred ninety-six dollars and seventy-three cents.....	2,496 73
Vienna .....	Three hundred twenty-one dollars and eleven cents.....	321 11
Waterville .....	Fifteen thousand eight hundred twenty-two dollars and nineteen cents.....	15,822 19
Wayne .....	Six hundred fifty-one dollars and sixty-one cents.....	651 61
West Gardiner.....	Eight hundred thirty-seven dollars and fifty-nine cents.....	837 59
Windsor .....	Seven hundred dollars and thirteen cents.....	700 13
Winslow .....	Three thousand three hundred fifty-six dollars and sixty cents.....	3,356 60
Winthrop .....	Three thousand five hundred eight dollars and twenty-two cents.....	3,508 22
Unity Pl.....	Forty-six dollars and fifty-one cents.....	46 51
Total .....	Eighty-seven thousand two hundred seventy-nine dollars and fifty-five cents..	\$87,279 55

## KNOX COUNTY.

Appleton .....	Seven hundred sixty-eight dollars and sixty-eight cents .....	\$ 768 68
Camden .....	Five thousand one hundred ninety dollars and ninety-four cents .....	5,190 94
Cushing .....	Three hundred sixty dollars and seventy-seven cents .....	360 77
Friendship .....	Five hundred forty-three dollars and fifty-five cents .....	543 55
Hope .....	Five hundred ninety-three dollars and three cents .....	593 03
Hurricane Isle.....	One hundred eight dollars and eighty-one cents .....	108 81
North Haven.....	Five hundred forty-nine dollars and seventy-four cents .....	549 74
Rockland .....	Thirteen thousand five hundred sixty dollars and ninety-five cents .....	13,560 95
Rockport .....	Three thousand two hundred seventy-four dollars and thirteen cents .....	3,274 13
South Thomaston.....	Nine hundred eighty-two dollars and thirty-five cents .....	982 35
St. George.....	One thousand four hundred five dollars and thirty cents .....	1,405 30
Thomaston .....	Three thousand nine hundred seven dollars and eighty-six cents .....	3,907 86
Union .....	One thousand five hundred ninety-one dollars and ninety-three cents .....	1,591 98
Vinalhaven .....	One thousand six hundred seventy-six dollars and sixty cents .....	1,676 60
Warren .....	Two thousand three hundred dollars and fifty-three cents .....	2,300 53
Washington .....	Eight hundred fifty-two dollars and fifty-three cents .....	852 53
Matinicus Isle Pl.....	One hundred thirty-four dollars and eight cents .....	134 08
Total .....	Thirty-seven thousand eight hundred one dollars and seventy-eight cents.....	\$37,801 78

## LINCOLN COUNTY.

Alna .....	Four hundred eighty-nine dollars and nineteen cents.....	\$ 489 19
Boothbay .....	One thousand four hundred eighty-two dollars and twenty-two cents.....	1,482 22
Boothbay Harbor.....	Two thousand fifty-eight dollars and three cents.....	2,058 08
Bremen .....	Four hundred twenty-four dollars and seventy-eight cents.....	424 78
Bristol .....	Two thousand eighty-two dollars and eighty-four cents.....	2,082 84
Damariscotta .....	One thousand three hundred twenty-five dollars and seventy-six cents.....	1,325 76
Dresden .....	One thousand one hundred eighty-one dollars and eighty-one cents.....	1,181 81
Edgecomb .....	Five hundred forty-six dollars and ninety-eight cents.....	546 98
Jefferson .....	One thousand two hundred eighty-eight dollars and seventy-nine cents.....	1,288 79
Newcastle .....	One thousand nine hundred thirty-three dollars and eighty-two cents.....	1,933 82
Nobleborough .....	Seven hundred one dollars and sixty-three cents.....	701 63
Somerville .....	Two hundred twenty-seven dollars and thirteen cents.....	227 13
Southport .....	Six hundred eighty-five dollars and forty-seven cents.....	685 47
Waldoborough .....	Two thousand nine hundred three dollars and seventy-three cents.....	2,903 73
Westport .....	Two hundred forty-eight dollars and eighteen cents.....	248 18
Whitefield .....	One thousand two hundred eighty-four dollars and eighty cents.....	1,284 80
Wiscasset .....	One thousand five hundred fifty dollars and seventy-two cents.....	1,550 72
Monhegan Pl.....	Forty-eight dollars and fourteen cents...	48 14
Total .....	Twenty thousand four hundred sixty-four dollars and two cents.....	\$20,464 02

## OXFORD COUNTY.

Albany .....	Three hundred seventy-seven dollars and fifty-eight cents.....	\$377 58
Andover .....	Five hundred twenty-four dollars and seventy-six cents.....	524 76
Bethel .....	Two thousand three hundred ten dollars and seventy-three cents.....	2,310 73
Brownfield .....	Nine hundred twenty-two dollars and fifty-one cents.....	922 51
Buckfield .....	One thousand seventy-two dollars and fifty-two cents.....	1,072 52
Byron .....	Two hundred twenty-nine dollars and sixty-six cents.....	229 66
Canton .....	One thousand one hundred nineteen dollars and sixty-eight cents.....	1,119 68
Denmark .....	Eight hundred six dollars and fifty-four cents.....	806 54
Dixfield .....	Nine hundred seventy-three dollars and six cents.....	973 06
Fryeburg .....	Two thousand two hundred ninety-five dollars and twenty-nine cents.....	2,295 29
Gilead .....	Four hundred six dollars and fifty-six cents.....	406 56
Grafton .....	One hundred sixty-seven dollars and fifty-three cents.....	167 53
Greenwood .....	Four hundred twenty-eight dollars and fifty-three cents.....	428 53
Hanover .....	Two hundred thirty-four dollars and ninety-three cents.....	234 93
Hartford .....	Seven hundred forty-two dollars and twenty cents.....	742 20
Hebron .....	Six hundred seven dollars and ninety-nine cents.....	607 99
Hiram .....	Nine hundred sixty-five dollars and eighty-nine cents.....	965 89
Lovell .....	One thousand seventy-nine dollars and fifty-six cents.....	1,079 56
Mason .....	Ninety-two dollars and seven cents.....	92 07
Mexico .....	Five hundred thirty-five dollars and twenty-six cents.....	535 26
Newry .....	Two hundred eighty-nine dollars and eighty-five cents.....	289 85
Norway .....	Three thousand three hundred dollars and ninety-five cents.....	3,300 95
Oxford .....	One thousand two hundred thirteen dollars and ninety-eight cents.....	1,213 98
Paris .....	Three thousand four hundred eighty-five dollars and fifty-eight cents.....	3,485 58
Peru .....	Six hundred fifty-four dollars and thirty cents.....	654 30
Porter .....	Seven hundred three dollars and twelve cents.....	703 12
Roxbury .....	One hundred sixty-eight dollars and thirty-two cents.....	168 32
Rumford .....	Four thousand two hundred forty-eight dollars and forty-eight cents.....	4,248 48
Stoneham .....	Two hundred eleven dollars and ninety-two cents.....	211 92
Stow .....	Three hundred thirty-seven dollars and sixty-seven cents.....	337 67
Sumner.....	Seven hundred fifty-one dollars and fourteen cents.....	751 14
Sweden .....	Three hundred sixty-eight dollars and nine cents.....	368 09
Upton .....	Two hundred sixty-five dollars and ninety-one cents.....	265 91
Waterford .....	Eight hundred nine dollars and fifty-one cents.....	809 51
Woodstock .....	Six hundred twelve dollars and seven cents.....	612 07
Milton Pl.....	One hundred forty-five dollars and ninety-six cents.....	145 96
Total .....	Thirty-three thousand four hundred fifty-nine dollars and seventy cents....	\$33,459 70

## OXFORD COUNTY WILD LANDS.

Fryeburg Academy Grant	Forty-four dollars and sixty-eight cents,	\$ 44 68
A. R. 1, Riley Pl.....	One hundred thirty-eight dollars and sixty-five cents .....	138 65
Andover North Surplus..	Eighty-seven dollars and seventy-eight cents .....	87 78
Andover West Surplus...	Thirty-six dollars and eighteen cents....	36 18
C .....	One hundred seventy-three dollars and eighty-six cents .....	173 86
C Surplus.....	Sixty-seven dollars and thirteen cents....	67 13
No. 4, R. 1.....	One hundred twenty-nine dollars and fourteen cents .....	129 14
No. 5, R. 1, Magalloway Pl	Two hundred eleven dollars and twenty-six cents .....	211 26
No. 4, R. 2.....	Two hundred twelve dollars and fifty-two cents .....	212 52
No. 5, R. 2, Lincoln Pl..	One hundred seventeen dollars and ninety-nine cents .....	117 99
No. 4, R. 3.....	One hundred eighty-two dollars and sixteen cents .....	182 16
No. 5, R. 3.....	One hundred seventy-one dollars and seventy-nine cents .....	171 79
No. 4, R. 4.....	One hundred four dollars and forty-three cents .....	104 43
No. 5, R. 4.....	Two hundred nine dollars and eighty-two cents .....	209 82
No. 4, R. 5.....	One hundred thirty-one dollars and thirty-four cents .....	131 34
No. 4, R. 6.....	One hundred fourteen dollars and fifty-five cents .....	114 55
No. 5, R. 5, south half...	Sixty-two dollars and sixty-seven cents..	62 67
No. 5, R. 5, north half....	Forty-two dollars and nine cents.....	42 09
Bachelder's Grant.....	Forty-one dollars and twenty-five cents..	41 25
Franklin Pl.....	Seventy dollars and twelve cents.....	70 12
Total .....	Two thousand three hundred forty-nine dollars and forty-one cents.....	\$2,349 41

## OXFORD COUNTY—TIMBER AND GRASS ON RESERVED LANDS.

C. R. 1, W. B. K. P.....	Seven dollars and twenty-six cents.....	\$7 26
No. 4, R. 1, W. B. K. P..	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 4, R. 2, W. B. K. P...	Seven dollars and ninety-two cents.....	7 92
No. 4, R. 3, W. B. K. P..	Six dollars and sixty cents.....	6 60
No. 5, R. 3, W. B. K. P..	Five dollars and ninety-four cents.....	5 94
No. 4, R. 4, W. B. K. P..	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 5, R. 4, W. B. K. P..	Seven dollars and twenty-six cents.....	7 26
No. 4, R. 5, W. B. K. P..	Three dollars and thirty cents.....	3 30
No. 5, R. 5, W. B. K. P..	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 4, R. 6, W. B. K. P..	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
Tract north of No. 4, R. 6, W. B. K. P.....	Eighteen cents .....	18
A. R. 1, (Riley).....	Four dollars and sixty-two cents .....	4 62
Andover North Surplus	One dollar and ninety-eight cents.....	1 98
C Surplus.....	Four dollars and forty cents.....	4 40
Total .....	Sixty-four dollars and nine cents.....	\$64 08

## PENOBSCOT COUNTY.

Alton .....	One hundred eighty-nine dollars and eighty-one cents.....	\$189 81
Argyle .....	One hundred ninety-five dollars and fifty-three cents.....	195 53
Bangor .....	Thirty-nine thousand eight hundred eight dollars and eight cents.....	39,808 08
Bradford .....	Seven hundred thirty-eight dollars and sixty-six cents.....	738 66
Bradley .....	Four hundred fifty-six dollars and one cent.....	456 01
Brewer .....	Three thousand eight hundred seventy-five dollars and seventy-eight cents.....	3,875 78
Burlington .....	Three hundred seventy-six dollars and eighty-two cents.....	376 82
Carmel .....	Eight hundred six dollars and eighty-five cents.....	806 85
Carroll .....	Three hundred one dollars and eleven cents.....	301 11
Charleston .....	Eight hundred eighty-seven dollars and sixteen cents.....	887 19
Chester .....	One hundred eighty-four dollars and twenty-three cents.....	184 23
Clifton .....	One hundred fifty-six dollars and seventy-six cents.....	156 76
Corinna .....	One thousand two hundred eighty-four dollars and eighty-three cents.....	1,284 83
Corinth .....	One thousand one hundred ninety dollars and thirty-five cents.....	1,190 35
Dexter .....	Three thousand four hundred forty-three dollars and nineteen cents.....	3,443 19
Dixmont .....	Seven hundred twenty-seven dollars and fifty-six cents.....	727 56
Eddington .....	Four hundred thirty-one dollars and three cents.....	431 03
Edinburg .....	Ninety-seven dollars and eighty-five cents.....	97 85
Enfield .....	Six hundred fifty-nine dollars and sixty-cents.....	659 60
Etna .....	Three hundred sixty-seven dollars and twenty cents.....	367 20
Exeter .....	One thousand ninety-three dollars and seventy-six cents.....	1,093 76
Garland .....	One thousand sixty-nine dollars and thirty-nine cents.....	1,069 39
Glenburn .....	Four hundred six dollars and twenty-seven cents.....	406 27
Greenbush .....	Two hundred forty-six dollars and twenty-nine cents.....	246 29
Greenfield .....	One hundred thirty-five dollars and five cents.....	135 05
Hampden .....	Two thousand two hundred seventy dollars and eighty-five cents.....	2,270 85
Hermon .....	One thousand sixty-one dollars and fifty-seven cents.....	1,061 57
Holden .....	Four hundred twelve dollars and forty-two cents.....	412 42
Howland .....	Eight hundred forty-eight dollars and fifty-four cents.....	848 54
Hudson .....	Three hundred twenty-four dollars and thirty-seven cents.....	324 37
Kenduskeag .....	Four hundred sixty dollars and sixty-eight cents.....	460 68
Kingman .....	Four hundred ninety-two dollars and twenty-five cents.....	492 25
Lagrange .....	Five hundred fifty-seven dollars and forty cents.....	557 40
Lee .....	Three hundred fifty-eight dollars and ninety cents.....	358 90
Levant .....	Seven hundred twenty-eight dollars and seventy-four cents.....	728 74
Lincoln .....	One thousand two hundred thirty-two dollars.....	1,232 00
Lowell .....	Two hundred seventy-eight dollars and forty-seven cents.....	278 47
Mattamiscontis .....	Forty-two dollars and eighteen cents....	42 18
Mattawamkeag .....	Three hundred eighty-nine dollars and seventy-two cents.....	389 72
Maxfield .....	Seventy-nine dollars and sixteen cents....	79 16
Medway .....	Three hundred eight dollars and forty-six cents.....	308 46
Millford .....	Eight hundred twelve dollars and ten cents.....	812 10
Mount Chase .....	One hundred seventeen dollars and eighteen cents.....	117 18



## PENOBSCOT COUNTY—CONCLUDED.

Newburgh .....	Seven hundred eighty-two dollars and sixty-nine cents .....	\$ 782 69
Newport .....	One thousand five hundred forty dollars and thirty-nine cents .....	1,540 39
Old Town .....	Four thousand one hundred forty-five dollars and sixty-two cents .....	4,145 62
Orono .....	Two thousand eight hundred forty-seven dollars and ten cents .....	2,847 10
Orrington .....	One thousand one hundred forty-five dollars and sixty cents .....	1,145 60
Passadumkeag .....	One hundred thirty-five dollars and seventy-four cents .....	185 74
Patten .....	One thousand one hundred thirty-three dollars and eighty-two cents .....	1,133 82
Plymouth .....	Five hundred twelve dollars and thirty-six cents .....	512 36
Prentiss .....	Two hundred ten dollars and twenty-four cents .....	210 24
Springfield .....	Three hundred thirty-seven dollars and fifteen cents .....	337 15
Stetson .....	Six hundred thirty-five dollars and ninety-four cents .....	635 94
Veazie .....	Seven hundred twenty-one dollars .....	721 00
Winn .....	Four hundred eight dollars and nineteen cents .....	408 19
Woodville .....	One hundred forty-two dollars and ninety-five cents .....	142 95
Total .....	Eighty-four thousand six hundred two dollars and ninety-eight cents .....	\$84,602 98

## PENOBSCOT COUNTY WILD LANDS.

No. 3, R. 1, N. B. P. P. East part .....	Fifty-nine dollars and forty cents .....	559 40
No. 3, R. 1, N. B. P. P. West part .....	Twenty-nine dollars and forty-two cents .....	29 42
No. 4, R. 1, N. B. P. P. ....	Two hundred three dollars and fifty cents .....	203 50
No. 5, R. 1, N. B. P. P. ....	Forty-five dollars and forty-six cents .....	45 46
No. 6, R. 3, N. B. P. P. ....	Seventy-two dollars and nineteen cents ..	72 19
No. 7, R. 4, N. B. P. P. ....	Sixty-seven dollars and four cents .....	67 04
No. 2, R. 8, N. W. P. ....	One hundred seventy-three dollars and forty-two cents .....	173 42
No. 3, R. 8, N. W. P., E. half .....	Forty-five dollars and forty-six cents .....	45 46
No. 3, R. 8, N. W. P., W. half .....	Forty-five dollars and forty-six cents .....	45 46
No. 2, R. 9, N. W. P. ....	Ninety-five dollars and fifteen cents .....	95 15
No. 3, R. 9, N. W. P. ....	Ninety-five dollars and fifty-six cents .....	95 56
No. 1, R. 6, W. E. L. S. ....	One hundred five dollars and eighty-seven cents .....	105 87
No. 2, R. 6, W. E. L. S. ....	One hundred fifty-eight dollars and seventy cents .....	158 70
No. 3, R. 6, W. E. L. S. ....	One hundred fifteen dollars and fifty cents .....	115 50
No. 6, R. 6, W. E. L. S. ....	Sixty dollars and sixty-one cents .....	60 61
No. 7, R. 6, W. E. L. S. ....	Seventy-four dollars and thirty-two cents .....	74 32
No. 8, R. 6, W. E. L. S. ....	One hundred twenty-one dollars and forty-four cents .....	121 44
A. R. 7, W. E. L. S. ....	Seventy-nine dollars and six cents .....	79 06
No. 1, R. 7, W. E. L. S. ....	One hundred forty-eight dollars and twenty cents .....	148 20
No. 2, R. 7, W. E. L. S. ....	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents .....	121 22
No. 3, R. 7, W. E. L. S., S. part .....	Fifty-six dollars and seventy-five cents ..	56 75
No. 3, R. 7, W. E. L. S., N. part .....	Thirty-four dollars and eighty-eight cents .....	34 88
No. 4, R. 7, W. E. L. S. ....	Seventy-five dollars and seventy-six cents .....	75 76
No. 5, R. 7, W. E. L. S. ....	Seventy-five dollars and seventy-six cents .....	75 76

## PENOBSCOT COUNTY WILD LANDS—Concluded.

No. 6, R. 7, W. E. L. S...	Seventy-five dollars and seventy-six cents	\$75 76
No. 7, R. 7, W. E. L. S...	Seventy-five dollars and seventy-six cents	75 76
No. 8, R. 7, W. E. L. S., N. half	Sixty dollars and sixty-one cents	60 61
No. 8, R. 7, W. E. L. S., S. half	Forty-five dollars and forty-six cents	45 46
East Hopkins Academy	Twenty-six dollars and seventy-eight cents	26 78
West Hopkins Academy	Thirty-eight dollars and twenty-two cents	38 22
No. 8, R. 8, W. E. L. S., A. R. 8 and 9, W. E. L. S.	One hundred six dollars and seven cents	106 07
No. 3, Indian purchase	Sixty-two dollars and six cents	62 06
No. 4, Indian purchase	One hundred dollars and sixty-five cents	100 65
No. 1, R. 8, W. E. L. S., No. 2, R. 8, south half, W. E. L. S.	Eighty-five dollars and eighty cents	85 80
No. 2, R. 8, north half, W. E. L. S.	Forty-five dollars and forty-six cents	45 46
No. 3, R. 8, east half, W. E. L. S.	Thirty-seven dollars and eighty-eight cents	37 88
No. 3, R. 8, west half, W. E. L. S.	Thirty-seven dollars and eighty-eight cents	37 88
No. 4, R. 8, W. E. L. S.	Forty-five dollars and forty-six cents	45 46
No. 5, R. 8, W. E. L. S., southeast quarter	Forty-five dollars and forty-six cents	45 46
No. 6, R. 8, W. E. L. S., west half	Seventy-five dollars and seventy-six cents	75 76
No. 6, R. 8, W. E. L. S., northeast quarter	One hundred six dollars and six cents	106 06
No. 7, R. 8, W. E. L. S.	Eighteen dollars and ninety-four cents	18 94
No. 1, North Division	Forty-five dollars and forty-six cents	45 46
No. 2, North Division, north half	Twenty-six dollars and fifty-two cents	26 52
No. 2, North Division, south half	Eighty-eight dollars and forty-four cents	88 44
Total	Seventy-five dollars and seventy-nine cents	75 79
	Fifty-three dollars and three cents	53 03
	Fifty-three dollars and three cents	53 03
	Three thousand five hundred ninety-two dollars and forty-seven cents	\$3,592 47

## PENOBSCOT COUNTY—TIMBER AND GRASS ON RESERVED LANDS.

No. 1, R. 6, W. E. L. S...	Four dollars and thirteen cents	\$4 13
No. 2, R. 6, W. E. L. S...	Five dollars and fifty cents	5 50
No. 6, R. 6, W. E. L. S...	One dollar and thirty-eight cents	1 38
No. 7, R. 6, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and six cents	2 06
No. 8, R. 6, W. E. L. S...	Three dollars and ninety-six cents	3 96
A. R. 7, W. E. L. S...	One dollar and ninety-eight cents	1 98
No. 1, R. 7, W. E. L. S...	Five dollars and fifty cents	5 50
No. 2, R. 7, W. E. L. S...	Three dollars and ninety-six cents	3 96
No. 3, R. 7, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and seventy-five cents	2 75
No. 4, R. 7, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and six cents	2 06
No. 5, R. 7, W. E. L. S...	One dollar and ninety-six cents	1 96
No. 6, R. 7, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and six cents	2 06
No. 7, R. 7, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and sixty-four cents	2 64
No. 8, R. 7, W. E. L. S...	Three dollars and forty-four cents	3 44

## PENOBSCOT COUNTY—TIMBER AND GRASS—Concluded.

A. R. 8 and 9, W. E. L. S.	One dollar and forty-nine cents.....	\$1 49
No. 1, R. 8, W. E. L. S...	One dollar and ninety-eight cents.....	1 98
No. 2, R. 8, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and sixty-four cents.....	2 64
No. 3, R. 8, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 4, R. 8, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 5, R. 8, W. E. L. S...	Three dollars and forty-four cents.....	3 44
No. 6, R. 8, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 7, R. 8, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 8, R. 8, W. E. L. S...	Three dollars and forty-four cents.....	3 44
No. 3, Indian Purchase, W. E. L. S.....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 4, Indian Purchase, W. E. L. S.....	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 3, R. 1, N. B. P. P...	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 5, R. 1, N. B. P. P...	One dollar and ten cents.....	1 10
No. 2, R. 8, N. W. P.....	Five dollars and ninety-four cents.....	5 94
No. 2, R. 9, N. W. P.....	Two dollars and sixty-four cents.....	2 64
No. 3, R. 9, N. W. P.....	Two dollars and sixty-four cents.....	2 64
Hopkins Acad. Grant....	Two dollars and thirty-three cents.....	2 33
Total .....	Eighty-eight dollars and eighty-nine cents .....	\$88 89

## PISCATAQUIS COUNTY.

Abbot .....	Four hundred ninety-nine dollars and twelve cents.....	\$499 12
Atkinson .....	Four hundred ninety-four dollars and sixty-two cents.....	494 62
Blanchard .....	One hundred sixty dollars and ninety-two cents.....	160 92
Brownville .....	One thousand thirty-one dollars and thirty-two cents.....	1,031 32
Dover .....	Two thousand three hundred sixty-eight dollars and twenty-five cents.....	2,368 25
Foxcroft .....	One thousand eight hundred one dollars and forty-six cents.....	1,801 46
Greenville .....	Nine hundred forty-five dollars and ninety-five cents.....	945 95
Gulford .....	One thousand five hundred seventy-five dollars and one cent.....	1,575 01
Medford .....	One hundred seventy-five dollars and seventy-three cents.....	175 73
Milo .....	Nine hundred ninety-one dollars and seventy-two cents.....	991 72
Monson .....	Seven hundred nine dollars and sixty-five cents.....	709 65
Orneville .....	Two hundred sixty-three dollars and twenty-nine cents.....	263 29
Parkman .....	Six hundred sixty dollars and forty-two cents.....	660 42
Sangerville .....	One thousand three hundred sixty-six dollars and twenty-eight cents.....	1,366 28
Sebec .....	Four hundred ninety-two dollars and ninety-five cents.....	492 95
Shirley .....	Two hundred dollars and ninety-seven cents.....	200 97
Wellington .....	Two hundred eighty-one dollars and ninety cents.....	281 90
Williamsburg .....	Eighty-four dollars and seventy-one cents .....	84 71
Willimantic .....	Three hundred eighteen dollars.....	318 00
Total .....	Fourteen thousand four hundred twenty-two dollars and twenty-seven cents.....	\$14,422 27

## PISCATAQUIS COUNTY WILD LANDS.

No. 4, R. 8, N. W. P., south part. Merrick Spool Co. Plant.....	One hundred thirty-seven dollars and fifty cents.....	\$137 50
North part .....	Two hundred thirty-four dollars and seventy-nine cents.....	234 79
No. 6, R. 8, formerly Barnard .....	Ninety dollars and twenty-four cents.....	90 24
No. 7, R. 8, formerly Bowerbank .....	Two hundred twelve dollars and fourteen cents .....	212 14
No. 4, R. 9, N. W. P.....	Two hundred twelve dollars and four- teen cents .....	212 14
No. 5, R. 9, N. W. P.....	One hundred eighty-one dollars and eighty-three cents.....	181 83
No. 6, R. 9, N. W. P.....	One hundred thirty-six dollars and thirty- seven cents.....	136 37
No. 7, R. 9, N. W. P.....	Ninety-nine dollars and thirty-eight cents .....	99 38
No. 8, R. 9, Elliottsville, N. W. P.....	Two hundred sixty-one dollars and eleven cents .....	261 11
No. 3, R. 5, B. P. E. K. R. ....	One hundred eighty-one dollars and eighty-three cents.....	181 83
No. 2, R. 6, B. P. E. K. R. ....	One hundred eighty-one dollars and eighty-three cents.....	181 83
No. 1, R. 9, W. E. L. S....	Seventy-five dollars and seventy-six cents .....	75 76
No. 2, R. 9, W. E. L. S....	Ninety dollars and ninety-two cents.....	90 92
No. 3, R. 9, W. E. L. S....	Ninety dollars and ninety-two cents.....	90 92
No. 4, R. 9, W. E. L. S....	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents.....	121 22
No. 5, R. 9, W. E. L. S....	One hundred twenty-one dollars and nine cents .....	121 09
No. 6, R. 9, W. E. L. S....	One hundred ten dollars and ninety-nine cents .....	110 99
No. 7, R. 9, W. E. L. S., east half .....	Forty-six dollars and sixty-one cents.....	46 61
No. 7, R. 9, W. E. L. S., west half .....	Forty-six dollars and sixty cents.....	46 60
No. 8, R. 9, W. E. L. S....	Ninety dollars and seventy-four cents.....	90 74
No. 9, R. 9, W. E. L. S....	Ninety dollars and sixty-two cents.....	90 62
No. 10, R. 9, W. E. L. S....	One hundred ten dollars and ninety-two cents .....	110 92
A. R. 10, W. E. L. S.....	Seventy-five dollars and seventy-six cents .....	75 76
B. R. 10, W. E. L. S.....	Forty-five dollars and seventeen cents...	45 17
No. 1, R. 10, W. E. L. S....	Ninety dollars and ninety-one cents.....	90 91
No. 2, R. 10, W. E. L. S....	One hundred six dollars and seven cents.	106 07
No. 3, R. 10, W. E. L. S....	Ninety dollars and ninety-two cents.....	90 92
No. 4, R. 10, W. E. L. S....	Ninety dollars and ninety-two cents.....	90 92
No. 5, R. 10, W. E. L. S., east half .....	Fifty-five dollars and twenty-two cents..	55 22
No. 5, R. 10, N. W. fourth W. E. L. S.....	Thirty-nine dollars and forty-one cents..	39 41
No. 5, R. 10, S. W. fourth, W. E. L. S.....	Twenty-one dollars and ninety cents.....	21 90
No. 6, R. 10, W. E. L. S....	One hundred nine dollars and thirty- eight cents.....	109 38
No. 7, R. 10, W. E. L. S....	Sixty-four dollars and sixty cents.....	64 60
No. 8, R. 10, W. E. L. S....	Ninety-three dollars and eighty-nine cents .....	93 89
No. 9, R. 10, W. E. L. S....	Ninety-four dollars and eighty-two cents	94 82
No. 10, R. 10, W. E. L. S....	One hundred thirty-four dollars and six- teen cents.....	134 16
A. R. 11, W. E. L. S.....	One hundred thirty-six dollars and thir- ty-seven cents.....	136 37
B. R. 11, W. E. L. S.....	One hundred fifty-eight dollars and five cents .....	158 05

## PISCATAQUIS COUNTY WILD LANDS—Continued.

No. 1, R. 11, W. E. L. S.	One hundred thirty-six dollars and thirty-seven cents.....	\$136 37
No. 2, R. 11, W. E. L. S.	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents.....	121 22
No. 3, R. 11, W. E. L. S.	Ninety dollars and ninety-two cents.....	90 92
No. 4, R. 11, W. E. L. S.	One hundred seventeen dollars and six cents .....	117 06
No. 5, R. 11, W. E. L. S.	One hundred seven dollars and seventy-two cents.....	107 72
No. 6, R. 11, W. E. L. S.	One hundred six dollars and seven cents..	106 07
No. 7, R. 11, W. E. L. S.	Seventy-eight dollars and thirty-eight cents .....	78 88
No. 8, R. 11, W. E. L. S.	One hundred twenty-two dollars and seven cents.....	122 07
No. 9, R. 11, W. E. L. S.	One hundred twenty-two dollars and ten cents .....	122 10
No. 10, R. 11, W. E. L. S.	One hundred twenty-five dollars and eighteen cents .....	125 18
Bowdoin College, East...	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents.....	121 22
Bowdoin College, West...	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents.....	121 22
A. R. 12, W. E. L. S.....	One hundred sixty-nine dollars and fifty-three cents .....	169 53
No. 1, R. 12, W. E. L. S., N. two-thirds .....	Eighty-four dollars and forty-eight cents	84 48
No. 1, R. 12, W. E. L. S., S. third .....	Fifty-two dollars and eighty cents.....	52 80
No. 2, R. 12, W. E. L. S.	One hundred thirty-six dollars and thirty-seven cents.....	136 37
No. 3, R. 12, W. E. L. S., E. half .....	Fifty dollars and fifty-four cents.....	50 54
No. 3, R. 12, W. E. L. S., W. half .....	Forty-five dollars and forty-five cents....	45 45
No. 4, R. 12, W. E. L. S., E. half .....	Forty-five dollars and forty-six cents.....	45 46
No. 4, R. 12, W. E. L. S., W. half .....	Thirty-nine dollars and eleven cents.....	39 11
No. 5, R. 12, W. E. L. S.	One hundred twelve dollars and thirty-one cents.....	112 31
No. 6, R. 12, W. E. L. S.	One hundred eight dollars and fifty-four cents .....	108 54
No. 7, R. 12, W. E. L. S.	One hundred forty-three dollars and fifty-seven cents.....	143 57
No. 8, R. 12, W. E. L. S.	One hundred thirty-six dollars and eighty-nine cents.....	136 89
No. 9, R. 12, W. E. L. S.	One hundred thirty-two dollars and thirty-two cents.....	132 32
No. 10, R. 12, W. E. L. S.	Ninety dollars and seventy-one cents....	90 71
A. R. 13, W. E. L. S.....	One hundred ninety-six dollars and ninety-eight cents .....	196 98
A. 2, R. 13 and 14, W. E. L. S.....	Ninety-four dollars and thirty-one cents	94 31
No. 1, R. 13, W. E. L. S.	One hundred eighty-one dollars and eighty-three cents.....	181 83
No. 2, R. 13, W. E. L. S.	Ninety-one dollars and fifty-four cents...	91 54
No. 3, R. 13, W. E. L. S.	One hundred nine dollars and forty-two cents .....	109 42
No. 4, R. 13, W. E. L. S.	Ninety-six dollars and forty-three cents..	96 43
No. 5, R. 13, W. E. L. S.	Eighty-eight dollars and sixty-one cents	88 61
No. 6, R. 13, W. E. L. S.	One hundred twenty dollars and sixty cents .....	120 60
No. 7, R. 13, W. E. L. S.	One hundred sixty dollars.....	160 00
No. 8, R. 13, W. E. L. S.	One hundred nine dollars and eighty-nine cents .....	109 89
No. 9, R. 13, W. E. L. S.	One hundred twenty-three dollars and ten cents .....	123 10
No. 10, R. 13, W. E. L. S.	Ninety-one dollars and seventy-nine cents	91 79
A. R. 14, W. E. L. S., three-quarters .....	Two hundred sixty-eight dollars and twelve cents.....	268 12

## PISCATAQUIS COUNTY WILD LANDS—Concluded.

A. R. 14, W. E. L. S., one-quarter .....	Forty-three dollars and seventy-one cents	\$43 71
No. 1, R. 14, W. E. L. S., North one-half .....	Sixty-one dollars and eighteen cents.....	61 18
No. 1, R. 14, W. E. L. S., South one-half .....	Forty-seven dollars and fifty-eight cents	47 58
X. R. 14, W. E. L. S.....	Thirty-one dollars and seventy-eight cents .....	31 78
No. 3, R. 14 and 15, W. E. L. S., E. half.....	Ninety-eight dollars and sixty cents.....	98 60
No. 3, R. 14 and 15, W. E. L. S., W. half.....	One hundred twenty-seven dollars and eighty cents.....	127 80
No. 4, R. 14, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred nineteen dollars and sixty- two cents .....	119 62
No. 5, R. 14, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred nineteen dollars and seven- ty-five cents.....	119 75
No. 6, R. 14, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred twenty-five dollars and twenty-eight cents.....	125 28
No. 7, R. 14, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred thirty-one dollars and eigh- ty-eight cents.....	131 88
No. 8, R. 14, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred fifty-six dollars and eighty- eight cents.....	156 88
No. 9, R. 14, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred twenty-four dollars and seven cents.....	124 07
No. 10, R. 14, W. E. L. S.,	Ninety-five dollars and thirty-eight cents	95 38
Sugar Island, W. E. L. S. ....	Sixty-six dollars and eighty-two cents....	66 82
Deer Island, W. E. L. S. ....	Twenty-seven dollars and fifty cents.....	27 50
Middlesex Canal, W. E. L. S. ....	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents.....	121 22
Day's Acad. Grant, W. E. L. S.....	One hundred four dollars and ninety- eight cents.....	104 98
No. 4, R. 15, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred twelve dollars and fifty-six cents .....	112 56
No. 5, R. 15, W. E. L. S.,	Ninety dollars and thirteen cents.....	90 13
No. 6, R. 15, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred twenty-four dollars and fifty-seven cents.....	124 57
No. 7, R. 15, W. E. L. S., E. half .....	Sixty-four dollars and eighty-four cents,	64 84
No. 7, R. 15, W. E. L. S., W. half .....	Fifty-four dollars and seventy-one cents,	54 71
No. 8, R. 15, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred nine dollars and thirty-five cents .....	109 35
No. 9, R. 15, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred ten dollars and forty-five cents .....	110 45
No. 10, R. 15, W. E. L. S.,	Ninety-one dollars and ninety-four cents,	91 94
Moose Island .....	Six dollars and sixty cents.....	6 60
Kineo .....	Two hundred seventy-five dollars.....	275 00
Farm Island .....	Eleven dollars .....	11 00
No. 3, R. 2, B. P. E. K. R. Kingsbury Pl.....	One hundred sixty-five dollars.....	165 00
Total .....	Eleven thousand six hundred three dol- lars and fifty-two cents.....	\$11,603 52

PISCATAQUIS COUNTY—TIMBER AND GRASS ON RESERVED  
LANDS.

No. 2, R. 6, B. P. E. K. R.	Five dollars and twenty-eight cents.....	\$5 28
No. 1, R. 9, W. E. L. S...	One dollar and ninety-eight cents.....	1 98
No. 2, R. 9, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 3, R. 9, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 4, R. 9, W. E. L. S...	Four dollars and twelve cents.....	4 12
No. 5, R. 9, W. E. L. S...	Four dollars and twelve cents.....	4 12
No. 6, R. 9, W. E. L. S...	Four dollars and eighty-one cents.....	4 81
No. 7, R. 9, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 8, R. 9, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 9, R. 9, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 10, R. 9, W. E. L. S...	Three dollars and forty-four cents.....	3 44
A, R. 10, W. E. L. S.....	One dollar and thirty-two cents.....	1 32
B, R. 10, W. E. L. S.....	One dollar and fifty-six cents.....	1 56
No. 1, R. 10, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and sixty-four cents.....	2 64
No. 2, R. 10, W. E. L. S...	Three dollars and thirty cents.....	3 30
No. 3, R. 10, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and sixty-four cents.....	2 64
No. 4, R. 10, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 5, R. 10, W. E. L. S...	Four dollars and thirteen cents.....	4 13
No. 6, R. 10, W. E. L. S...	Four dollars and thirteen cents.....	4 13
No. 7, R. 10, W. E. L. S...	One dollar and thirty-seven cents.....	1 37
No. 8, R. 10, W. E. L. S...	Three dollars and forty-four cents.....	3 44
No. 9, R. 10, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 10, R. 10, W. E. L. S...	Four dollars and twelve cents.....	4 12
A, R. 11, W. E. L. S.....	Four dollars and eighty-one cents.....	4 81
B, R. 11, W. E. L. S.....	Four dollars and thirteen cents.....	4 13
No. 1, R. 11, W. E. L. S...	Four dollars and eighty-one cents.....	4 81
No. 2, R. 11, W. E. L. S...	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 3, R. 11, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and sixty-four cents.....	2 64
No. 4, R. 11, W. E. L. S...	Four dollars and thirteen cents.....	4 13
No. 5, R. 11, W. E. L. S...	Four dollars and thirteen cents.....	4 13
No. 6, R. 11, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 7, R. 11, W. E. L. S...	Four dollars and twelve cents.....	4 12
No. 8, R. 11, W. E. L. S...	Four dollars and twelve cents.....	4 12
No. 9, R. 11, W. E. L. S...	Five dollars and fifty cents.....	5 50
No. 10, R. 11, W. E. L. S...	Five dollars and fifty cents.....	5 50
A, R. 12, W. E. L. S.....	Three dollars and thirty cents.....	3 36
No. 1, R. 12, W. E. L. S...	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 2, R. 12, W. E. L. S...	Four dollars and sixty-two cents.....	4 62
No. 3, R. 12, W. E. L. S...	Three dollars and thirty cents.....	3 30
No. 4, R. 12, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 5, R. 12, W. E. L. S...	Three dollars and forty-four cents.....	3 44
No. 6, R. 12, W. E. L. S...	Three dollars and forty-four cents.....	3 44
No. 7, R. 12, W. E. L. S...	Four dollars and eighty-one cents.....	4 81
No. 8, R. 12, W. E. L. S...	Five dollars and fifty cents.....	5 50

## PISCATAQUIS COUNTY—TIMBER AND GRASS—Concluded.

No. 9, R. 12, W. E. L. S.,	Five dollars and fifty cents.....	\$5 50
No. 10, R. 12, W. E. L. S.,	Four dollars and thirteen cents.....	4 13
A, R. 13, W. E. L. S.....	Six dollars and eighty-eight cents.....	6 88
A 2, R. 13 & 14, W. E. L. S.	Three dollars and twenty-one cents.....	3 21
No. 1, R. 13, W. E. L. S.,	Six dollars and eighty-eight cents.....	6 88
No. 2, R. 13, W. E. L. S.,	Five dollars and fifty cents.....	5 50
No. 3, R. 13, W. E. L. S.,	Four dollars and eighty-one cents.....	4 81
No. 4, R. 13, W. E. L. S.,	Four dollars and thirteen cents.....	4 13
No. 5, R. 13, W. E. L. S.,	Three dollars and forty-four cents....	3 44
No. 6, R. 13, W. E. L. S.,	Four dollars and thirteen cents.....	4 13
No. 7, R. 13, W. E. L. S.,	Four dollars and thirteen cents.....	4 13
No. 8, R. 13, W. E. L. S.,	Four dollars and eighty-one cents.....	4 81
No. 9, R. 13, W. E. L. S.,	Four dollars and eighty-one cents.....	4 81
No. 10, R. 13, W. E. L. S.,	Three dollars and forty-four cents.....	3 44
A, R. 14, W. E. L. S.....	Sixteen dollars and fifty cents.....	16 50
No. 1, R. 14, W. E. L. S.,	Five dollars and twenty-eight cents.....	5 28
No. 2, R. 14, W. E. L. S.,	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 3, R. 14 and 15, W. E. L. S., east half.....	Four dollars and thirteen cents.....	4 13
No. 3, R. 14 and 15, W. E. L. S., west half.....	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 4, R. 14, W. E. L. S.,	Four dollars and twelve cents.....	4 12
No. 5, R. 14, W. E. L. S.,	Four dollars and twelve cents.....	4 12
No. 6, R. 14, W. E. L. S.,	Four dollars and twelve cents.....	4 12
No. 7, R. 14, W. E. L. S.,	Three dollars and forty-four cents.....	3 44
No. 8, R. 14, W. E. L. S.,	Five dollars and fifty cents.....	5 50
No. 9, R. 14, W. E. L. S.,	Four dollars and thirteen cents.....	4 13
No. 10, R. 14, W. E. L. S.,	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
X, R. 14, W. E. L. S.....	One dollar and three cents.....	1 03
Day's Acad., R. 15, W. E. L. S.....	Two dollars and sixty-four cents.....	2 64
No. 4, R. 15, W. E. L. S.,	Four dollars and twelve cents.....	4 12
No. 5, R. 15, W. E. L. S.,	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 6, R. 15, W. E. L. S.,	Four dollars and twelve cents.....	4 12
No. 7, R. 15, W. E. L. S.,	Four dollars and twelve cents.....	4 12
No. 8, R. 15, W. E. L. S.,	Three dollars and forty-four cents.....	3 44
No. 9, R. 15, W. E. L. S.,	Three dollars and forty-four cents.....	3 44
No. 10, R. 15, W. E. L. S.,	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 4, R. 9, N. W. P.....	Six dollars and sixty cents.....	6 60
No. 5, R. 9, N. W. P.....	Five dollars and twenty-eight cents.....	5 28
No. 6, R. 9, N. W. P.....	Five dollars and twenty-eight cents.....	5 28
No. 7, R. 9, N. W. P.....	Four dollars and twelve cents.....	4 12
No. 7, R. 10, Bowdoin College, East, N. W. P.,	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 8, R. 10, Bowdoin College, West, N. W. P.,	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
Total .....	Three hundred forty dollars and seventy-two cents .....	\$340 72



## SAGADAHOC COUNTY.

Arrowsic .....	One hundred ninety-three dollars and twenty-one cents.....	\$ 103 21
Bath .....	Eighteen thousand three hundred twenty dollars and ninety-three cents.....	18,320 93
Bowdoin .....	Eight hundred twenty dollars and fifty-five cents.....	820 55
Bowdoinham .....	One thousand seven hundred ninety-three dollars and twenty-six cents.....	1,793 26
Georgetown .....	Four hundred ninety dollars and fifty-four cents.....	490 54
Perkins .....	One hundred twenty-three dollars and sixty-six cents.....	123 66
Phippsburg .....	One thousand one hundred twenty-three dollars and twenty cents.....	1,123 20
Richmond .....	Three thousand four hundred ninety-four dollars and eighty-one cents.....	3,484 81
Topsham .....	Two thousand five hundred thirty dollars and ninety-five cents.....	2,530 95
West Bath .....	Four hundred four dollars and fifty-one cents.....	404 51
Woolwich .....	One thousand one hundred twelve dollars and fifteen cents.....	1,112 15
Total .....	Thirty thousand four hundred seven dollars and seventy-seven cents.....	\$30,407 77

## SOMERSET COUNTY.

Anson .....	One thousand seven hundred thirty-one dollars and twenty-nine cents.....	\$1,731 29
Athens .....	Nine hundred dollars and eighty-two cents.....	900 82
Bingham .....	Seven hundred five dollars.....	705 00
Cambridge .....	Three hundred eighteen dollars and forty-one cents.....	318 41
Canaan .....	Nine hundred seventy-seven dollars and sixteen cents.....	977 16
Concord .....	One hundred eighty-nine dollars and ten cents.....	189 10
Cornville .....	Nine hundred thirty-five dollars and sixty-eight cents.....	935 68
Detroit .....	Four hundred six dollars and twenty-eight cents.....	406 28
Embsden .....	Seven hundred three dollars and fifty-three cents.....	703 53
Fairfield .....	Four thousand three hundred six dollars and thirty-six cents.....	4,306 36
Harmony .....	Five hundred twenty-eight dollars and seventy-six cents.....	528 76
Hartland .....	One thousand three hundred thirty-five dollars and twenty-eight cents.....	1,335 23
Madison .....	Four thousand three hundred forty-eight dollars and sixty-eight cents.....	4,348 68
Mercer .....	Four hundred thirty-seven dollars and sixty cents.....	437 60
Moscow .....	Two hundred forty-seven dollars and fifty-two cents.....	247 52
New Portland.....	Nine hundred fifty-eight dollars and thirty-two cents.....	958 32
Norridgewock .....	One thousand six hundred dollars and sixty-three cents.....	1,600 63
Palmyra .....	Nine hundred forty-seven dollars and forty-four cents.....	947 44
Pittsfield .....	Three thousand two hundred sixty-six dollars and fifty-six cents.....	3,266 56
Ripley .....	Three hundred fifty-three dollars and fifty-seven cents.....	353 57
St. Albans.....	One thousand one hundred fifty dollars and eighty-one cents.....	1,150 81
Skowhegan .....	Ten thousand ninety-seven dollars and eighty-six cents.....	10,097 86
Smithfield .....	Three hundred seventy-nine dollars and thirteen cents.....	379 13
Solon .....	One thousand thirty-eight dollars and forty cents.....	1,038 40
Starks .....	Six hundred thirty-three dollars and sixty-six cents.....	633 66
Total .....	Thirty-eight thousand four hundred ninety-seven dollars and eighty-five cents.....	\$38,497 85

## SOMERSET COUNTY WILD LANDS.

No. 2, R. 1, B.P.W.K.R..	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents.....	\$121 22
No. 1, R. 2, B.P.W.K.R..	Sixty-four dollars and sixty-six cents....	64 66
No. 2, R. 2, B.P.W.K.R..	Fifty-three dollars and four cents.....	53 04
No. 1, R. 3, B.P.W.K.R..	Thirty dollars and fifty-four cents.....	30 54
No. 2, R. 3, B. P. W. K. R., East part.....	Sixty-three dollars and twenty-six cents	63 26
No. 2, R. 3, B. P. W. K. R., West part.....	Eleven dollars and eighty-eight cents....	11 88
No. 3, R. 3, B.P.W.K.R..	Seventy-five dollars and seventy-six cents .....	75 76
No. 4, R. 3, B. P. W. K. R., N. half.....	Sixty-eight dollars and ninety-six cents..	68 96
No. 1, R. 4, B.P.W.K.R..	Ninety-seven dollars and ninety cents...	97 90
No. 2, R. 4, B. P. W. K. R., east half.....	Sixty-two dollars and thirty cents.....	62 30
West half .....	Sixty-seven dollars and forty cents.....	67 40
No. 3, R. 4, B. P. W. K. R., N. ½.....	Thirty-three dollars and six cents.....	33 06
No. 3, R. 4, B. P. W. K. R., S. ½.....	Sixty-six dollars and twelve cents.....	66 12
No. 4, R. 4, B.P.W.K.R..	Ninety-six dollars and twenty-five cents..	96 25
No. 1, R. 5, B. P. W. K. R., East Canada Road..	Forty-seven dollars and twenty-seven cents .....	47 27
West Canada Road.....	Fifty-two dollars and sixty-four cents....	52 64
No. 2, R. 5, B. P. W. K. R., E. ½.....	Twenty-two dollars and three cents.....	22 03
No. 2, R. 5, B. P. W. K. R., W. ½.....	Thirty-six dollars and seventy-one cents	36 71
No. 3, R. 5, B. P. W. K. R., Part, Pratt tract...	One hundred fifty-one dollars and sixty-six cents.....	151 66
Part, Pray tract.....	Fifteen dollars and one cent.....	15 01
Eight thousand acre tract .....	Twenty-seven dollars and sixty cents....	27 60
No. 4, R. 5, B. P. W. K. R., West Part.....	Thirty-four dollars and forty cents.....	34 40
East part.....	Thirty-nine dollars and twenty cents.....	39 20
No. 1, R. 6, B. P. W. K. R., West part, ten thousand acre tract.....	Forty-two dollars and forty-eight cents..	42 48
East part Chase stream tract .....	Seventy-six dollars and thirty-one cents	76 31
No. 2, R. 6, E. C. R. part	Fifty-three dollars and seventy-nine nine cents.....	53 79
No. 2, R. 6, W. C. R. part	Forty-one dollars and twenty-five cents..	41 25
No. 3, R. 6, B.P.W.K.R..	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents.....	121 22
No. 4, R. 6, B.P.W.K.R..	Seventy-five dollars and seventy-six cents	75 76
No. 5, R. 6, B.P.W.K.R..	One hundred six dollars and seven cents	106 07
Strip North of No.'s 1, 2, 3, R. 7, B. P. W. K. R....	Fifteen dollars and eighty-four cents....	15 84
No. 1, R. 7, B.P.W.K.R..	One hundred eight dollars and ninety cents .....	108 90
No. 2, R. 7, B.P.W.K.R..	One hundred eighty-nine dollars and sixty-three cents.....	189 63
No. 3, R. 7, B.P.W.K.R..	Sixty dollars and twenty-three cents.....	60 23
No. 4, R. 7, B.P.W.K.R..	Eighty-three dollars and twenty-nine cents .....	83 29
No. 5, R. 7, B.P.W.K.R..	Eighty-six dollars and fifty-nine cents....	86 59
No. 6, R. 7, B.P.W.K.R..	One hundred one dollars and seventeen cents .....	101 17

## SOMERSET COUNTY—WILD LANDS—Continued.

No. 2, R. 1, B.P.E.K.R..	One hundred eighty-one dollars and eighty-four cents.....	\$181 84
No. 2, R. 2, B.P.E.K.R..	One hundred one dollars and six cents....	101 06
No. 1, R. 3, B.P.E.K.R..	Two hundred three dollars and forty-three cents.....	203 43
No. 2, R. 3, B.P.E.K.R..	One hundred thirty-six dollars and thirty-seven cents.....	136 37
No. 1, R. 4, B.P.E.K.R..	One hundred thirty-six dollars and thirty-seven cents.....	136 37
No. 2, R. 4, B.P.E.K.R..	One hundred twenty-two dollars and thirty-eight cents.....	122 38
No. 1, R. 5, B.P.E.K.R..	Ninety-two dollars and fifty-six cents....	92 56
No. 2, R. 5, B.P.E.K.R..	One hundred thirty-one dollars and forty cents.....	131 40
No. 1, R. 6, B.P.E.K.R..	Sixty-six dollars and fifty-one cents.....	66 51
No. 1, R. 1, N. B. K. P..	Eighty-seven dollars and twelve cents....	87 12
No. 1, R. 1, N.B.K.P.Strip.	Twenty-seven dollars and twenty-two cents.....	27 22
No. 2, R. 1, N. B. K. P..	One hundred ten dollars and eighty-eight cents.....	110 88
No. 2, R. 1, N.B.K.P.Strip.	Thirty-six dollars and eighty-seven cents,	36 87
No. 3, R. 1, N. B. K. P..	One hundred sixty-five dollars and fifty-four cents.....	165 54
No. 4, R. 1, N. B. K. P..	One hundred fifty-one dollars and fifty-two cents.....	151 52
No. 5, R. 1, N. B. K. P..	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents.....	121 22
No. 6, R. 1, N. B. K. P..	Sixty-seven dollars and forty-seven cents.....	67 47
No. 1, R. 2, N. B. K. P..	One hundred thirty-seven dollars and fifty cents.....	137 50
No. 2, R. 2, N. B. K. P..	Sixty dollars and thirty-four cents.....	60 34
No. 3, R. 2, N. B. K. P..	One hundred fifty-one dollars and fifty-two cents.....	151 52
No. 4, R. 2, N. B. K. P..	One hundred fifty-eight dollars and forty cents.....	158 40
No. 5, R. 2, N. B. K. P..	One hundred six dollars and seven cents,	106 07
No. 6, R. 2, N. B. K. P..	One hundred thirty-seven dollars and fifty cents.....	137 50
Big W., N. B. K. P.....	One hundred seven dollars and twenty-two cents.....	107 22
Little W., N. B. K. P....	Sixteen dollars and six cents.....	16 06
No. 1, R. 3, N. B. K. P..	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents.....	121 22
No. 2, R. 3, N.B.K.P., N. ½.	Seventy-four dollars and twenty-five cents.....	74 25
No. 2, R. 3, N. B. K. P., S. E. ¼.....	Forty-two dollars and thirteen cents....	42 13
No. 2, R. 3, N. B. K. P., S. W. ¼.....	Twenty-seven dollars and eighty-four cents.....	27 84
No. 3, R. 3, N. B. K. P., E. half.....	Seventy-five dollars and thirty-five cents,	75 35
No. 3, R. 3, N. B. K. P., W. half.....	Sixty-four dollars and twenty-four cents,	64 24
No. 4, R. 3, N. B. K. P..	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents.....	121 22
No. 5, R. 3, N. B. K. P..	Fifty-eight dollars and eighty-two cents,	58 82
No. 6, R. 3, N. B. K. P..	One dollar and seventy-one cents.....	1 71
Seboomook .....	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents.....	121 22
No. 1, R. 4, N. B. K. P..	Ninety dollars and ninety-two cents.....	90 92
No. 2, R. 4, N. B. K. P..	One hundred thirteen dollars and forty-four cents.....	113 44
No. 3, R. 4, N. B. K. P..	One hundred thirty-six dollars and thirty-seven cents.....	136 37
No. 4, R. 4, N. B. K. P..	Seventy-two dollars and eighty-five cents.....	72 85
No. 5, R. 4, N. B. K. P..	Nineteen dollars and eighty cents.....	19 80
No. 3, R. 5, N. B. K. P..	Sixty dollars and sixty-one cents.....	60 61
No. 4, R. 5, N. B. K. P..	Forty-seven dollars and seventy-eight cents.....	47 78

## SOMERSET COUNTY—WILD LANDS—Concluded.

No. 4, R. 16, W. E. L. S..	Fifty-nine dollars and nineteen cents....	\$59 19
No. 5, R. 16, W. E. L. S., E. half.....	Thirty-seven dollars and twenty-four cents .....	37 24
No. 5, R. 16, W. E. L. S., W. half.....	Thirty-seven dollars and twenty-three cents .....	37 23
No. 6, R. 16, W. E. L. S..	Seventy-eight dollars and sixty-nine cents .....	78 69
No. 7, R. 16, W. E. L. S..	Eighty-one dollars and sixty-two cents..	81 62
No. 8, R. 16, W. E. L. S..	Seventy-nine dollars and forty-seven cents .....	79 47
No. 9, R. 16, W. E. L. S..	Eighty dollars and ninety-three cents....	80 93
No. 10, R. 16, W. E. L. S..	One hundred seven dollars and sixty- four cents .....	107 64
No. 4, R. 17, W. E. L. S..	One hundred twenty-three dollars and fifty-six cents .....	123 56
No. 5, R. 17, W. E. L. S..	Seventy-two dollars and thirty-eight cents .....	72 38
No. 6, R. 17, W. E. L. S..	Seventy-seven dollars and twenty-eight cents .....	77 28
No. 7, R. 17, W. E. L. S..	Sixty-two dollars and eighty-eight cents.	62 88
No. 8, R. 17, W. E. L. S..	Ninety-one dollars and eighty-three cents .....	91 83
No. 9, R. 17, W. E. L. S..	Ninety-six dollars and ten cents.....	96 10
No. 10, R. 17, W. E. L. S..	One hundred thirty-three dollars and forty-seven cents .....	133 47
No. 4, R. 18, W. E. L. S..	One hundred eight dollars and eighty- one cents .....	108 81
No. 5, R. 18, W. E. L. S..	Eighty-eight dollars and nine cents.....	88 09
No. 6, R. 18, W. E. L. S..	Ninety-three dollars and sixty cents....	93 60
No. 7, R. 18, W. E. L. S..	Eighty dollars and twenty-four cents....	80 24
No. 8, R. 18, W. E. L. S..	Sixty-two dollars and ninety-three cents.	62 93
No. 9, R. 18, W. E. L. S..	Forty-one dollars and twelve cents.....	41 12
No. 5, R. 19, W. E. L. S..	Sixty-five dollars and eighty-nine cents..	65 89
No. 6, R. 19, W. E. L. S..	Eighty-eight dollars and ninety-six cents.	88 96
No. 7, R. 19, W. E. L. S..	Seventy-nine dollars and seventy-two cents .....	79 72
No. 8, R. 19, W. E. L. S..	Fifty-six dollars and sixty-one cents....	56 61
No. 5, R. 20, W. E. L. S..	Fifty-four dollars and eighty-nine cents.	54 89
Total .....	Eight thousand six hundred dollars and ninety-one cents .....	\$8,600 91

## SOMERSET COUNTY—TIMBER AND GRASS ON RESERVED LANDS.

No. 2, R. 3, B.K.P.E.K.R.	One dollar and ninety-eight cents.....	\$1 98
No. 2, R. 4, B.K.P.E.K.R.	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 1, R. 5, B.K.P.E.K.R.	Two dollars and twenty cents .....	2 20
No. 2, R. 5, B.K.P.E.K.R.	Four dollars and sixty-two cents.....	4 62
No. 1, R. 6, B.K.P.E.K.R.	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 2, R. 3, B.K.P.E.K.R.	One dollar and ninety-eight cents.....	1 98
No. 1, R. 4, B.K.P.W.K.R.	Three dollars and twenty-two cents.....	3 22
No. 2, R. 4, B.K.P.W.K.R.	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 3, R. 4, B.K.P.W.K.R.	Two dollars and sixty-four cents.....	2 64
No. 2, R. 5, B.K.P.W.K.R.	One dollar and ninety-eight cents.....	1 98
No. 3, R. 5, B.K.P.W.K.R.	Five dollars and twenty-eight cents.....	5 28
No. 4, R. 5, B.K.P.W.K.R.	One dollar and ninety-eight cents.....	1 98
No. 1, R. 6, B.K.P.W.K.R.	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96

## SOMERSET COUNTY—TIMBER AND GRASS—Continued.

No. 2, R. 6, B.K.P.W.K.R.	Three dollars and thirty cents.....	\$3 30
No. 3, R. 6, B.K.P.W.K.R.	Four dollars and sixty-two cents.....	4 62
No. 4, R. 6, B.K.P.W.K.R.	Two dollars and sixty-four cents.....	2 64
No. 5, R. 6, B.K.P.W.K.R.	Two dollars and sixty-four cents.....	2 64
No. 1, R. 7, B.K.P.W.K.R.	Three dollars and seventy-six cents.....	3 76
No. 2, R. 7, B.K.P.W.K.R.	Six dollars and sixty cents.....	6 60
No. 3, R. 7, B.K.P.W.K.R.	Two dollars and forty-two cents.....	2 42
No. 4, R. 7, B.K.P.W.K.R.	Two dollars and sixteen cents.....	2 16
No. 5, R. 7, B.K.P.W.K.R.	Three dollars and fifteen cents.....	3 15
No. 6, R. 7, B.K.P.W.K.R.	Three dollars and forty-seven cents.....	3 47
No. 1, R. 1, N. B. K. P...	Four dollars and sixty-seven cents.....	4 67
No. 2, R. 1, N. B. K. P...	Five dollars and sixty-one cents.....	5 61
No. 3, R. 1, N. B. K. P...	Six dollars and fifty-three cents.....	6 53
No. 5, R. 1, N. B. K. P...	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 6, R. 1, N. B. K. P...	Three dollars and forty-four cents.....	3 44
No. 1, R. 2, N. B. K. P...	Five dollars and fifty cents.....	5 50
No. 2, R. 2, N. B. K. P...	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 3, R. 2, N. B. K. P...	Five dollars and twenty-eight cents.....	5 28
No. 6, R. 2, N. B. K. P...	Five dollars and fifty cents.....	5 50
Little W., R. 3, N.B.K.P.	Sixty-two cents .....	62
Big W., R. 3, N. B. K. P.	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 1, R. 3, N. B. K. P...	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 2, R. 3, N. B. K. P...	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 3, R. 3, N. B. K. P...	Five dollars and twenty-eight cents.....	5 28
No. 4, R. 3, N. B. K. P...	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 5, R. 3, N. B. K. P...	One dollar and ninety-eight cents.....	1 98
Seboomook, R. 4, N.B.K.P.	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 1, R. 4, N. B. K. P...	Four dollars and sixty-two cents.....	4 62
No. 2, R. 4, N. B. K. P...	Two dollars and sixty-five cents.....	2 65
No. 3, R. 4, N. B. K. P...	Four dollars and sixty-two cents.....	4 62
No. 4, R. 4, N. B. K. P...	One dollar and eighty-four cents.....	1 84
No. 5, R. 4, N. B. K. P...	Forty-three cents .....	43
No. 3, R. 5, N. B. K. P...	Forty-one cents .....	41
No. 4, R. 5, N. B. K. P...	One dollar and forty-five cents.....	1 45
No. 4, R. 16, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 5, R. 16, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 6, R. 16, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 7, R. 16, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 8, R. 16, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 9, R. 16, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 10, R. 16, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 4, R. 17, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 5, R. 17, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 6, R. 17, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 7, R. 17, W. E. L. S..	One dollar and thirty-eight cents.....	1 38

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## SOMERSET COUNTY—TIMBER AND GRASS—Concluded.

No. 8, R. 17, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	\$2 75
No. 9, R. 17, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 10, R. 17, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 4, R. 18, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 5, R. 18, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 6, R. 18, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 7, R. 18, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 8, R. 18, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 9, R. 18, W. E. L. S..	Ninety-five cents .....	95
No. 5, R. 19, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and three cents.....	2 03
No. 6, R. 19, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 7, R. 19, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 8, R. 19, W. E. L. S..	One dollar and thirty-eight cents.....	1 38
Total .....	Two hundred fourteen dollars and sixty-seven cents .....	\$214 67

## WALDO COUNTY.

Belfast .....	Eight thousand three hundred sixty-nine dollars and sixty-four cents.....	\$8,369 64
Belmont .....	Two hundred eighty-six dollars and eighty-three cents .....	286 83
Brooks .....	Seven hundred twenty dollars and sixty-seven cents .....	720 67
Burnham .....	Six hundred fifty-three dollars and twenty-two cents .....	653 22
Frankfort .....	Five hundred seventy-one dollars and sixty-three cents .....	571 63
Freedom .....	Four hundred sixty-two dollars and twenty-three cents .....	462 22
Islesborough .....	Eight hundred thirty-eight dollars and seventy-four cents .....	838 74
Jackson .....	Four hundred twenty-four dollars and seventy cents .....	424 70
Knox .....	Five hundred ninety dollars and forty-eight cents .....	590 48
Liberty .....	Six hundred sixty-nine dollars and sixty-eight cents .....	669 68
Lincolntonville .....	Nine hundred thirty-five dollars and fifty-seven cents .....	935 57
Monroe .....	Eight hundred sixty-six dollars and sixty-two cents .....	866 62
Montville .....	Nine hundred eight dollars and ninety-one cents .....	908 91
Morrill .....	Four hundred twenty-four dollars and seventy-eight cents .....	424 78
Northport .....	Eight hundred six dollars and eighty-nine cents .....	806 89
Palermo .....	Five hundred twenty-six dollars and sixty-seven cents .....	526 67
Prospect .....	Five hundred seventeen dollars and sixty-six cents .....	517 66
Searsport .....	One thousand nine hundred ninety-four dollars and fifty-six cents .....	1,994 56
Searsmont .....	Nine hundred thirty-six dollars and seventy-eight cents .....	936 78
Stockton Springs.....	Seven hundred sixty dollars and nineteen cents .....	760 19
Swanville .....	Four hundred thirty-eight dollars and forty-nine cents .....	438 49
Thorndike .....	Seven hundred nine dollars and twelve cents .....	709 12
Troy .....	Seven hundred fifty dollars and fifteen cents .....	750 15
Unity .....	Nine hundred seventy-six dollars and sixty-eight cents .....	976 68
Waldo .....	Four hundred fifty-three dollars and fifty-three cents .....	453 53
Winterport .....	One thousand six hundred twenty-eight dollars and ninety-seven cents.....	1,628 67
Total .....	Twenty-seven thousand two hundred twenty-three dollars and thirty-nine cents .....	\$27,223 39

## WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Addison .....	Five hundred sixty-five dollars and ninety-four cents	\$565 04
Alexander .....	One hundred seventy-six dollars and ninety-eight cents	176 98
Baileyville .....	One hundred seventy-six dollars and twenty-one cents	176 21
Baring .....	Two hundred twenty-three dollars and five cents	223 05
Beddington .....	One hundred eighty-six dollars and sixty-two cents	186 62
Brookton .....	Three hundred twenty-one dollars and thirty-four cents	321 34
Calais .....	Eight thousand four hundred thirty-six dollars and twenty-one cents	8,436 21
Centerville .....	One hundred thirty-six dollars and fifty cents	136 50
Charlotte .....	Two hundred nineteen dollars and thirty-three cents	219 33
Cherryfield .....	One thousand four hundred sixty-nine dollars and seventy-five cents	1,469 75
Columbia .....	Two hundred fifty-eight dollars and thirteen cents	258 13
Columbia Falls .....	Five hundred two dollars and eighty-five cents	502 85
Cooper .....	One hundred thirty dollars and twenty-six cents	130 26
Crawford .....	Sixty-nine dollars and seventy-one cents	69 71
Cutler .....	Two hundred thirty-four dollars and fifteen cents	234 15
Danforth .....	Six hundred eighty dollars and eighty-two cents	680 82
Deblois .....	Fifty-seven dollars and eighty-seven cents	57 87
Dennysville .....	Four hundred thirty-eight dollars and eighteen cents	438 18
East Machias .....	One thousand fifty-four dollars and twenty-five cents	1,054 25
Eastport .....	Five thousand two hundred sixteen dollars and forty-four cents	5,216 44
Edmunds .....	One hundred sixty-three dollars and one cent	163 01
Forest City .....	Two hundred eight dollars and four cents	208 04
Harrington .....	Seven hundred sixty-nine dollars and sixteen cents	769 16
Jonesborough .....	Three hundred nine dollars and thirty cents	309 30
Jonesport .....	Nine hundred sixty-five dollars and seventeen cents	965 17
Lubec .....	One thousand five hundred fifty dollars and thirty-three cents	1,550 33
Machias .....	Two thousand one hundred fifty-six dollars and ninety-five cents	2,156 95
Machiasport .....	Five hundred seventy-six dollars and six cents	576 06
Marion .....	Seventy-five dollars and seventy-one cents	75 71
Marshfield .....	One hundred sixty-seven dollars and four cents	167 04
Meddybemps .....	Eighty-one dollars and twenty-nine cents	81 29
Millbridge .....	One thousand three hundred twelve dollars and twenty-five cents	1,312 25
Northfield .....	Ninety-four dollars and thirty-nine cents	94 39
Pembroke .....	Eight hundred seventy-three dollars and eighty-four cents	873 84
Perry .....	Five hundred ninety-five dollars and ninety-eight cents	595 98
Princeton .....	Six hundred eighty-two dollars and ninety-five cents	682 95
Robbinston .....	Four hundred forty-two dollars and forty-nine cents	442 49
Roque Bluffs .....	Sixty-three dollars and forty-two cents	63 42
Steuben .....	Four hundred ninety-six dollars and fifty-eight cents	496 58
Talmadge .....	One hundred seventy-one dollars and ninety-four cents	171 94
Topsfield .....	Two hundred two dollars and one cent	202 01
Trescott .....	One hundred forty-four dollars and forty-nine cents	144 49
Vanceborough .....	Five hundred thirty-four dollars and seventy-eight cents	534 78

## WASHINGTON COUNTY—CONCLUDED.

Walte .....	Eighty-five dollars and fifty-five cents....	\$85 56
Wesley .....	One hundred twenty-four dollars and ninety-three cents .....	124 83
Whiting .....	Two hundred twenty-six dollars and ninety-one cents .....	226 91
Whitneyville .....	One hundred ninety-four dollars and six- ty-two cents .....	194 62
Total .....	Thirty-three thousand eight hundred twenty-three dollars and seventy-eight cents .....	\$33,823 78

## WASHINGTON COUNTY— WILD LANDS.

No. 18, East Division....	Forty-five dollars and forty-six cents....	\$45 46
No. 19, East Division....	Sixty dollars and sixty-one cents.....	60 61
No. 23, East Division....	Ninety-nine dollars .....	99 00
No. 27, East Division....	Eighty-three dollars and seventy-three cents .....	83 73
No. 18, Middle Division...	Forty-five dollars and forty-six cents....	45 46
No. 19, Middle Division, S. E. quarter.....	Seven dollars and twenty-two cents.....	7 22
No. 19, Middle Division, N. half and S. W. quarter,	Twenty-eight dollars and forty-four cents .....	28 44
No. 24, Middle Division...	Seventy-five dollars and seventy-six cents .....	75 76
No. 25, Middle Division...	Seventy-nine dollars and six cents.....	79 06
No. 29, Middle Division...	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents .....	121 22
No. 30, Middle Division...	One hundred six dollars and seven cents,	106 07
No. 31, Middle Division...	One hundred six dollars and seven cents,	106 07
No. 36, Middle Division...	Two hundred forty-two dollars and for- ty-four cents .....	242 44
No. 37, Middle Division...	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents .....	121 22
No. 42, Middle Division...	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents .....	121 22
No. 43, Middle Division, E. half .....	Sixty dollars and sixty-one cents.....	60 61
No. 43, Middle Division, W. half .....	Sixty dollars and sixty-one cents.....	60 61
No. 5, North Division, N. half .....	Thirty-three dollars and eleven cents....	33 11
No. 5, North Div., S. half,	Sixty dollars and sixty-one cents.....	60 61
No. 6, North Division....	Eighty-five dollars and eighty-two cents,	85 82
W. half, strip, N. of No. 6, N. Div.....	Seventeen dollars and thirty-three cents,	17 33
E. half, strip, N. of No. 6, N. Div.....	Twenty-seven dollars and twenty-three cents .....	27 23
Two mile strip, N. of No. 5 .....	Thirty-three dollars .....	33 00
No. 1, R. 1, T. S.....	Thirty-six dollars and ninety-eight cents,	36 98
No. 3, R. 1, T. S.....	Two hundred forty-five dollars and sixty cents .....	245 60
No. 1, R. 2, T. S.....	Sixty dollars and sixty-one cents.....	60 61
No. 1, R. 3, T. S.....	One hundred twenty-seven dollars and seventy-two cents .....	127 72
No. 6, R. 1, W. half, N. B. P. P.....	Seventy-five dollars and eighty-seven cents .....	75 87
No. 6, R. 1, E. half, N. B. P. P.....	Seventy-five dollars and seventy-six cents .....	75 76



## WASHINGTON COUNTY—WILD LANDS—Concluded.

No. 7, R. 2, N. B. P. P...	One hundred eighteen dollars and sixty-three cents .....	\$118 63
No. 8, R. 2, N. B. P. P...	One hundred seventeen dollars and seventy-two cents .....	117 72
No. 10, R. 2, N. B. P. P...	Sixty-eight dollars and twenty-three cents .....	68 23
No. 11, R. 2, N. B. P. P...	Forty-four dollars .....	44 00
No. 8, R. 4, N. B. P. P...	Eighty dollars and sixty-seven cents....	80 67
East part Indian Township, strip one mile wide,	Thirteen dollars and twenty cents.....	13 20
No. 9, R. 2, Codyville Pl..	Ninety-seven dollars .....	97 00
No. 14, Pl. E. D.....	Sixty-eight dollars and thirty-one cents..	68 31
No. 21, E. D. Pl.....	Sixty dollars and seventy-two cents.....	60 72
Total .....	Three thousand twelve dollars and thirty-two cents .....	\$3,012 32

## WASHINGTON COUNTY—TIMBER AND GRASS ON RESERVED LANDS.

No. 19, East Division....	One dollar thirty-two cents.....	\$1 32
No. 26, East Division....	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 27, East Division....	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 5, North Division....	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 6, North Division....	Five dollars and twenty-eight cents.....	5 28
No. 18, Middle Division..	Sixty-six cents .....	66
No. 19, Middle Division..	Ninety-nine cents .....	99
No. 24, Middle Division..	One dollar and ninety-eight cents.....	1 98
No. 25, Middle Division..	One dollar and ninety-eight cents.....	1 98
No. 29, Middle Division..	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 30, Middle Division..	Three dollars and thirty cents.....	3 30
No. 31, Middle Division..	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 1, R. 1, Titcomb Survey	One dollar and thirty-two cents.....	1 32
No. 3, R. 1, Titcomb Survey	Five dollars and twenty-eight cents.....	5 28
No. 1, R. 2, Titcomb Survey	One dollar and thirty-seven cents.....	1 37
No. 6, R. 1, N. B. P. P....	Three dollars and nineteen cents.....	3 19
No. 8, R. 3, N. B. P. P....	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 10, R. 3, N. B. P. P...	Sixty-six cents .....	66
No. 11, R. 3, N. B. P. P...	Ninety-two cents .....	92
No. 18, East Division....	Ninety-three cents .....	93
No. 36, Middle Division..	Seven dollars and ninety-two cents.....	7 92
No. 37, Middle Division..	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 42, Middle Division...	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 43, Middle Division...	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
Total .....	Seventy-two dollars and seventy-four cents .....	\$72 74

## YORK COUNTY.

Acton .....	Eight hundred dollars and twenty-nine cents	\$ 800 29
Alfred .....	One thousand one hundred thirty-three dollars and ninety-five cents	1,133 95
Berwick .....	Two thousand six hundred sixteen dollars and ninety-seven cents	2,616 97
Biddeford .....	Twenty-three thousand four hundred thirty-one dollars and sixty-six cents	23,431 06
Buxton .....	One thousand nine hundred four dollars and forty-two cents	1,904 42
Cornish .....	One thousand two hundred fifty-three dollars and twenty-eight cents	1,253 28
Dayton .....	Six hundred fifty-six dollars and eighty-four cents	656 84
Elliot .....	One thousand two hundred seventy-four dollars and forty-five cents	1,274 45
Hollis .....	One thousand one hundred forty dollars and sixteen cents	1,140 16
Kittery .....	One thousand seven hundred twenty-seven dollars and seven cents	1,727 07
Kennebunk .....	Five thousand seven hundred fifty-two dollars and thirty-six cents	5,752 36
Kennebunkport .....	Three thousand four hundred forty-one dollars and five cents	3,441 05
Lebanon .....	Nine hundred eighty-three dollars and sixty cents	983 60
Limington .....	Nine hundred twenty-five dollars and ninety-one cents	925 91
Limerick .....	One thousand two hundred fifty dollars and fifty-seven cents	1,250 57
Lyman .....	Nine hundred ninety dollars and sixty-two cents	990 62
Newfield .....	Six hundred forty-four dollars and twelve cents	644 12
North Berwick.....	Two thousand one hundred forty-six dollars and seventy-seven cents	2,146 77
Old Orchard .....	Two thousand seventy dollars and ninety-one cents	2,070 91
Parsonsfield .....	One thousand three hundred twenty-two dollars and thirty-four cents	1,322 34
Sanford .....	Six thousand four hundred seventy-eight dollars and sixty-seven cents	6,478 67
Saco .....	Eleven thousand one hundred fifty-five dollars and ten cents	11,155 10
Shapleigh .....	Seven hundred fifteen dollars and forty-three cents	715 43
South Berwick.....	Three thousand two hundred seventy-eight dollars and forty-eight cents	3,278 48
Waterboro .....	One thousand ninety dollars and six cents	1,090 06
Wells .....	One thousand nine hundred thirty dollars	1,930 00
York .....	Four thousand five hundred thirty-nine dollars and sixty-nine cents	4,539 69
Total .....	Eighty-four thousand six hundred fifty-four dollars and seventy-seven cents	\$84,654 77

## RECAPITULATION.

Androscoggin .....	Seventy-eight thousand four hundred fifty-four dollars and seventy cents.....	\$78,454 70
Aroostook .....	Forty-nine thousand four hundred sixty-nine dollars and seventy-six cents.....	49,469 76
Cumberland .....	One hundred ninety-one thousand four hundred eight dollars and nineteen cents .....	191,408 19
Franklin .....	Twenty-two thousand eight hundred twenty-five dollars and eighty-two cents .....	22,825 82
Hancock .....	Forty thousand four hundred forty-three dollars and forty-two cents.....	40,443 42
Kennebec .....	Eighty-seven thousand two hundred seventy-nine dollars and fifty-five cents....	87,279 55
Knox .....	Thirty-seven thousand eight hundred one dollars and seventy-eight cents....	37,801 78
Lincoln .....	Twenty thousand four hundred sixty-four dollars and two cents.....	20,464 02
Oxford .....	Thirty-five thousand eight hundred seventy-three dollars and twenty cents....	35,873 20
Penobscot .....	Eighty-eight thousand two hundred eighty-four dollars and thirty-four cents .....	88,284 34
Piscataquis .....	Twenty-six thousand three hundred sixty-six dollars and fifty-one cents.....	26,366 51
Sagadahoc .....	Thirty thousand four hundred seven dollars and seventy-seven cents.....	30,407 77
Somerset .....	Forty-seven thousand three hundred thirteen dollars and forty-three cents..	47,313 43
Waldo .....	Twenty-seven thousand two hundred twenty-three dollars and thirty-nine cents .....	27,223 39
Washington .....	Thirty-six thousand nine hundred eight dollars and eighty-four cents.....	36,908 84
York .....	Eighty-four thousand six hundred fifty-four dollars and seventy-seven cents....	84,654 77
Total .....	Nine hundred five thousand one hundred seventy-nine dollars and forty-nine cents .....	\$905,179 49

## PISCATAQUIS COUNTY WILD LANDS.

No. 4, R. 8, N. W. P. south part. Merrick Spool Co. Plant.....	One hundred thirty-seven dollars and fifty cents.....	\$137 50
North part .....	Two hundred thirty-four dollars and seventy-nine cents.....	234 79
No. 6, R. 8, formerly Barnard .....	Ninety dollars and twenty-four cents.....	90 24
No. 7, R. 8, formerly Bowerbank .....	Two hundred twelve dollars and fourteen cents .....	212 14
No. 4, R. 9, N. W. P.....	Two hundred twelve dollars and four- teen cents .....	212 14
No. 5, R. 9, N. W. P.....	One hundred eighty-one dollars and eighty-three cents.....	181 83
No. 6, R. 9, N. W. P.....	One hundred thirty-six dollars and thirty- seven cents.....	136 37
No. 7, R. 9, N. W. P.....	Ninety-nine dollars and thirty-eight cents .....	99 38
No. 8, R. 9, Ellhottsville, N. W. P.....	Two hundred sixty-one dollars and eleven cents .....	261 11
No. 3, R. 5, B. P. E. K. R. ....	One hundred eighty-one dollars and eighty-three cents.....	181 83
No. 2, R. 6, B. P. E. K. R. ....	One hundred eighty-one dollars and eighty-three cents.....	181 83
No. 1, R. 9, W. E. L. S...	Seventy-five dollars and seventy-six cents .....	75 76
No. 2, R. 9, W. E. L. S...	Ninety dollars and ninety-two cents.....	90 92
No. 3, R. 9, W. E. L. S...	Ninety dollars and ninety-two cents.....	90 92
No. 4, R. 9, W. E. L. S...	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents.....	121 22
No. 5, R. 9, W. E. L. S...	One hundred twenty-one dollars and nine cents .....	121 09
No. 6, R. 9, W. E. L. S...	One hundred ten dollars and ninety-nine cents .....	110 99
No. 7, R. 9, W. E. L. S., east half .....	Forty-six dollars and sixty-one cents.....	46 61
No. 7, R. 9, W. E. L. S., west half .....	Forty-six dollars and sixty cents.....	46 60
No. 8, R. 9, W. E. L. S...	Ninety dollars and seventy-four cents....	90 74
No. 9, R. 9, W. E. L. S...	Ninety dollars and sixty-two cents.....	90 62
No. 10, R. 9, W. E. L. S...	One hundred ten dollars and ninety-two cents .....	110 92
A. R. 10, W. E. L. S.....	Seventy-five dollars and seventy-six cents .....	75 76
B. R. 10, W. E. L. S.....	Forty-five dollars and seventeen cents...	45 17
No. 1, R. 10, W. E. L. S...	Ninety dollars and ninety-one cents.....	90 91
No. 2, R. 10, W. E. L. S...	One hundred six dollars and seven cents...	106 07
No. 3, R. 10, W. E. L. S...	Ninety dollars and ninety-two cents.....	90 92
No. 4, R. 10, W. E. L. S...	Ninety dollars and ninety-two cents.....	90 92
No. 5, R. 10, W. E. L. S., east half .....	Fifty-five dollars and twenty-two cents..	55 22
No. 5, R. 10, N. W. fourth W. E. L. S.....	Thirty-nine dollars and forty-one cents..	39 41
No. 5, R. 10, S. W. fourth, W. E. L. S.....	Twenty-one dollars and ninety cents.....	21 90
No. 6, R. 10, W. E. L. S...	One hundred nine dollars and thirty- eight cents.....	109 38
No. 7, R. 10, W. E. L. S...	Sixty-four dollars and sixty cents.....	64 60
No. 8, R. 10, W. E. L. S...	Ninety-three dollars and eighty-nine cents .....	93 89
No. 9, R. 10, W. E. L. S...	Ninety-four dollars and eighty-two cents	94 82
No. 10, R. 10, W. E. L. S...	One hundred thirty-four dollars and six- teen cents.....	134 16
A. R. 11, W. E. L. S.....	One hundred thirty-six dollars and thir- ty-seven cents.....	136 37
B. R. 11, W. E. L. S.....	One hundred fifty-eight dollars and five cents .....	158 05

## PISCATAQUIS COUNTY WILD LANDS—Continued.

No. 1, R. 11, W. E. L. S.	One hundred thirty-six dollars and thirty-seven cents.....	\$136 87
No. 2, R. 11, W. E. L. S.	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents.....	121 22
No. 3, R. 11, W. E. L. S.	Ninety dollars and ninety-two cents.....	90 92
No. 4, R. 11, W. E. L. S.	One hundred seventeen dollars and six cents .....	117 06
No. 5, R. 11, W. E. L. S.	One hundred seven dollars and seventy-two cents.....	107 72
No. 6, R. 11, W. E. L. S.	One hundred six dollars and seven cents..	106 07
No. 7, R. 11, W. E. L. S.	Seventy-eight dollars and thirty-eight cents .....	78 38
No. 8, R. 11, W. E. L. S.	One hundred twenty-two dollars and seven cents.....	122 07
No. 9, R. 11, W. E. L. S.	One hundred twenty-two dollars and ten cents .....	122 10
No. 10, R. 11, W. E. L. S.	One hundred twenty-five dollars and eighteen cents.....	125 18
Bowdoin College, East...	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents.....	121 22
Bowdoin College, West...	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents.....	121 22
A. R. 12, W. E. L. S.....	One hundred sixty-nine dollars and fifty-three cents .....	169 53
No. 1, R. 12, W. E. L. S., N. two-thirds .....	Eighty-four dollars and forty-eight cents	84 48
No. 1, R. 12, W. E. L. S., S. third .....	Fifty-two dollars and eighty cents.....	52 80
No. 2, R. 12, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred thirty-six dollars and thirty-seven cents.....	136 37
No. 3, R. 12, W. E. L. S., E. half .....	Fifty dollars and fifty-four cents.....	50 54
No. 3, R. 12, W. E. L. S., W. half .....	Forty-five dollars and forty-five cents....	45 45
No. 4, R. 12, W. E. L. S., E. half .....	Forty-five dollars and forty-six cents.....	45 46
No. 4, R. 12, W. E. L. S., W. half .....	Thirty-nine dollars and eleven cents.....	39 11
No. 5, R. 12, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred twelve dollars and thirty-one cents.....	112 31
No. 6, R. 12, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred eight dollars and fifty-four cents .....	108 54
No. 7, R. 12, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred forty-three dollars and fifty-seven cents.....	143 57
No. 8, R. 12, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred thirty-six dollars and eighty-nine cents.....	136 89
No. 9, R. 12, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred thirty-two dollars and thirty-two cents.....	132 32
No. 10, R. 12, W. E. L. S.,	Ninety dollars and seventy-one cents....	90 71
A. R. 13, W. E. L. S.....	One hundred ninety-six dollars and ninety-eight cents .....	196 98
A. 2, R. 13 and 14, W. E. L. S.....	Ninety-four dollars and thirty-one cents	94 31
No. 1, R. 13, W. E. L. S.	One hundred eighty-one dollars and eighty-three cents.....	181 83
No. 2, R. 13, W. E. L. S.,	Ninety-one dollars and fifty-four cents...	91 54
No. 3, R. 13, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred nine dollars and forty-two cents .....	109 42
No. 4, R. 13, W. E. L. S.,	Ninety-six dollars and forty-three cents..	96 43
No. 5, R. 13, W. E. L. S.,	Eighty-eight dollars and sixty-one cents	88 61
No. 6, R. 13, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred twenty dollars and sixty cents .....	120 60
No. 7, R. 13, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred sixty dollars.....	160 00
No. 8, R. 13, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred nine dollars and eighty-nine cents .....	109 89
No. 9, R. 13, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred twenty-three dollars and ten cents .....	123 10
No. 10, R. 13, W. E. L. S.,	Ninety-one dollars and seventy-nine cents	91 79
A. R. 14, W. E. L. S., three-quarters .....	Two hundred sixty-eight dollars and twelve cents.....	268 12

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## PISCATAQUIS COUNTY WILD LANDS—Concluded.

A. R. 14, W. E. L. S., one-quarter .....	Forty-three dollars and seventy-one cents	\$43 71
No. 1, R. 14, W. E. L. S., North one-half .....	Sixty-one dollars and eighteen cents.....	61 18
No. 1, R. 14, W. E. L. S., South one-half .....	Forty-seven dollars and fifty-eight cents	47 58
X. R. 14, W. E. L. S.....	Thirty-one dollars and seventy-eight cents .....	31 78
No. 3, R. 14 and 15, W. E. L. S., E. half.....	Ninety-eight dollars and sixty cents.....	98 60
No. 3, R. 14 and 15, W. E. L. S., W. half.....	One hundred twenty-seven dollars and eighty cents.....	127 80
No. 4, R. 14, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred nineteen dollars and sixty- two cents .....	119 62
No. 5, R. 14, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred nineteen dollars and seven- ty-five cents.....	119 75
No. 6, R. 14, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred twenty-five dollars and twenty-eight cents.....	125 28
No. 7, R. 14, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred thirty-one dollars and elgh- ty-eight cents.....	131 88
No. 8, R. 14, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred fifty-six dollars and eighty- eight cents.....	156 88
No. 9, R. 14, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred twenty-four dollars and seven cents.....	124 07
No. 10, R. 14, W. E. L. S.,	Ninety-five dollars and thirty-eight cents	95 38
Sugar Island, W. E. L. S. ....	Sixty-six dollars and eighty-two cents....	66 82
Deer Island, W. E. L. S. ....	Twenty-seven dollars and fifty cents.....	27 50
Middlesex Canal, W. E. L. S. ....	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents.....	121 22
Day's Acad. Grant, W. E. L. S.....	One hundred four dollars and ninety- eight cents .....	104 98
No. 4, R. 15, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred twelve dollars and fifty-six cents .....	112 56
No. 5, R. 15, W. E. L. S.,	Ninety dollars and thirteen cents.....	90 13
No. 6, R. 15, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred twenty-four dollars and fifty-seven cents.....	124 57
No. 7, R. 15, W. E. L. S., E. half .....	Sixty-four dollars and eighty-four cents.	64 84
No. 7, R. 15, W. E. L. S., W. half .....	Fifty-four dollars and seventy-one cents.	54 71
No. 8, R. 15, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred nine dollars and thirty-five cents .....	109 35
No. 9, R. 15, W. E. L. S.,	One hundred ten dollars and forty-five cents .....	110 45
No. 10, R. 15, W. E. L. S.,	Ninety-one dollars and ninety-four cents.	91 94
Moose Island .....	Six dollars and sixty cents.....	6 60
Kineo .....	Two hundred seventy-five dollars.....	275 00
Farm Island .....	Eleven dollars .....	11 00
No. 3, R. 2, B. P. E. K. R. Kingsbury Pl.....	One hundred sixty-five dollars.....	165 00
Total .....	Eleven thousand six hundred three dol- lars and fifty-two cents.....	\$11,603 52

PISCATAQUIS COUNTY—TIMBER AND GRASS ON RESERVED  
LANDS.

No. 2, R. 6, B. P. E. K. R.	Five dollars and twenty-eight cents.....	\$5 28
No. 1, R. 9, W. E. L. S...	One dollar and ninety-eight cents.....	1 98
No. 2, R. 9, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 3, R. 9, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 4, R. 9, W. E. L. S...	Four dollars and twelve cents.....	4 12
No. 5, R. 9, W. E. L. S...	Four dollars and twelve cents.....	4 12
No. 6, R. 9, W. E. L. S...	Four dollars and eighty-one cents.....	4 81
No. 7, R. 9, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 8, R. 9, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 9, R. 9, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 10, R. 9, W. E. L. S...	Three dollars and forty-four cents.....	3 44
A, R. 10, W. E. L. S.....	One dollar and thirty-two cents.....	1 32
B, R. 10, W. E. L. S.....	One dollar and fifty-six cents.....	1 56
No. 1, R. 10, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and sixty-four cents.....	2 64
No. 2, R. 10, W. E. L. S...	Three dollars and thirty cents.....	3 30
No. 3, R. 10, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and sixty-four cents.....	2 64
No. 4, R. 10, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 5, R. 10, W. E. L. S...	Four dollars and thirteen cents.....	4 13
No. 6, R. 10, W. E. L. S...	Four dollars and thirteen cents.....	4 13
No. 7, R. 10, W. E. L. S...	One dollar and thirty-seven cents.....	1 37
No. 8, R. 10, W. E. L. S...	Three dollars and forty-four cents.....	3 44
No. 9, R. 10, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 10, R. 10, W. E. L. S...	Four dollars and twelve cents.....	4 12
A, R. 11, W. E. L. S.....	Four dollars and eighty-one cents.....	4 81
B, R. 11, W. E. L. S.....	Four dollars and thirteen cents.....	4 13
No. 1, R. 11, W. E. L. S...	Four dollars and eighty-one cents.....	4 81
No. 2, R. 11, W. E. L. S...	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 3, R. 11, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and sixty-four cents.....	2 64
No. 4, R. 11, W. E. L. S...	Four dollars and thirteen cents.....	4 13
No. 5, R. 11, W. E. L. S...	Four dollars and thirteen cents.....	4 13
No. 6, R. 11, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 7, R. 11, W. E. L. S...	Four dollars and twelve cents.....	4 12
No. 8, R. 11, W. E. L. S...	Four dollars and twelve cents.....	4 12
No. 9, R. 11, W. E. L. S...	Five dollars and fifty cents.....	5 50
No. 10, R. 11, W. E. L. S...	Five dollars and fifty cents.....	5 50
A, R. 12, W. E. L. S.....	Three dollars and thirty cents.....	3 36
No. 1, R. 12, W. E. L. S...	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 2, R. 12, W. E. L. S...	Four dollars and sixty-two cents.....	4 62
No. 3, R. 12, W. E. L. S...	Three dollars and thirty cents.....	3 30
No. 4, R. 12, W. E. L. S...	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 5, R. 12, W. E. L. S...	Three dollars and forty-four cents.....	3 44
No. 6, R. 12, W. E. L. S...	Three dollars and forty-four cents.....	3 44
No. 7, R. 12, W. E. L. S...	Four dollars and eighty-one cents.....	4 81
No. 8, R. 12, W. E. L. S...	Five dollars and fifty cents.....	5 50

## PISCATAQUIS COUNTY—TIMBER AND GRASS—Concluded.

No. 9, R. 12, W. E. L. S.,	Five dollars and fifty cents.....	\$5 50
No. 10, R. 12, W. E. L. S.,	Four dollars and thirteen cents.....	4 13
A, R. 13, W. E. L. S.....	Six dollars and eighty-eight cents.....	6 88
A 2, R. 13 & 14, W. E. L. S. ....	Three dollars and twenty-one cents.....	3 21
No. 1, R. 13, W. E. L. S.,	Six dollars and eighty-eight cents.....	6 88
No. 2, R. 13, W. E. L. S.,	Five dollars and fifty cents.....	5 50
No. 3, R. 13, W. E. L. S.,	Four dollars and eighty-one cents.....	4 81
No. 4, R. 13, W. E. L. S.,	Four dollars and thirteen cents.....	4 13
No. 5, R. 13, W. E. L. S.,	Three dollars and forty-four cents....	3 44
No. 6, R. 13, W. E. L. S.,	Four dollars and thirteen cents.....	4 13
No. 7, R. 13, W. E. L. S.,	Four dollars and thirteen cents.....	4 13
No. 8, R. 13, W. E. L. S.,	Four dollars and eighty-one cents.....	4 81
No. 9, R. 13, W. E. L. S.,	Four dollars and eighty-one cents.....	4 81
No. 10, R. 13, W. E. L. S.,	Three dollars and forty-four cents.....	3 44
A, R. 14, W. E. L. S.....	Sixteen dollars and fifty cents.....	16 50
No. 1, R. 14, W. E. L. S.,	Five dollars and twenty-eight cents.....	5 28
No. 2, R. 14, W. E. L. S.,	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 3, R. 14 and 15, W. E. L. S., east half.....	Four dollars and thirteen cents.....	4 13
No. 3, R. 14 and 15, W. E. L. S., west half.....	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 4, R. 14, W. E. L. S.,	Four dollars and twelve cents.....	4 12
No. 5, R. 14, W. E. L. S.,	Four dollars and twelve cents.....	4 12
No. 6, R. 14, W. E. L. S.,	Four dollars and twelve cents.....	4 12
No. 7, R. 14, W. E. L. S.,	Three dollars and forty-four cents.....	3 44
No. 8, R. 14, W. E. L. S.,	Five dollars and fifty cents.....	5 50
No. 9, R. 14, W. E. L. S.,	Four dollars and thirteen cents.....	4 13
No. 10, R. 14, W. E. L. S.,	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
X, R. 14, W. E. L. S.....	One dollar and three cents.....	1 08
Day's Acad., R. 15, W. E. L. S.....	Two dollars and sixty-four cents.....	2 64
No. 4, R. 15, W. E. L. S.,	Four dollars and twelve cents.....	4 12
No. 5, R. 15, W. E. L. S.,	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 6, R. 15, W. E. L. S.,	Four dollars and twelve cents.....	4 12
No. 7, R. 15, W. E. L. S.,	Four dollars and twelve cents.....	4 12
No. 8, R. 15, W. E. L. S.,	Three dollars and forty-four cents.....	3 44
No. 9, R. 15, W. E. L. S.,	Three dollars and forty-four cents.....	3 44
No. 10, R. 15, W. E. L. S.,	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 4, R. 9, N. W. P.....	Six dollars and sixty cents.....	6 60
No. 5, R. 9, N. W. P.....	Five dollars and twenty-eight cents.....	5 28
No. 6, R. 9, N. W. P.....	Five dollars and twenty-eight cents.....	5 28
No. 7, R. 9, N. W. P.....	Four dollars and twelve cents.....	4 12
No. 7, R. 10, Bowdoin College, East, N. W. P.,	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 8, R. 10, Bowdoin College, West, N. W. P.,	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
Total .....	Three hundred forty dollars and seventy-two cents .....	\$340 72



## SAGADAHOC COUNTY.

Arrowsic .....	One hundred ninety-three dollars and twenty-one cents.....	\$ 193 21
Bath .....	Eighteen thousand three hundred twenty dollars and ninety-three cents.....	18,320 93
Bowdoin .....	Eight hundred twenty dollars and fifty-five cents.....	820 55
Bowdoinham .....	One thousand seven hundred ninety-three dollars and twenty-six cents.....	1,793 26
Georgetown .....	Four hundred ninety dollars and fifty-four cents.....	490 54
Perkins .....	One hundred twenty-three dollars and sixty-six cents.....	123 66
Phippsburg .....	One thousand one hundred twenty-three dollars and twenty cents.....	1,123 20
Richmond .....	Three thousand four hundred ninety-four dollars and eighty-one cents.....	3,494 81
Topsham .....	Two thousand five hundred thirty dollars and ninety-five cents.....	2,530 95
West Bath .....	Four hundred four dollars and fifty-one cents.....	404 51
Woolwich .....	One thousand one hundred twelve dollars and fifteen cents.....	1,112 15
Total .....	Thirty thousand four hundred seven dollars and seventy-seven cents.....	\$30,407 77

## SOMERSET COUNTY.

Anson .....	One thousand seven hundred thirty-one dollars and twenty-nine cents.....	\$1,731 29
Athens .....	Nine hundred dollars and eighty-two cents.....	900 82
Bingham .....	Seven hundred five dollars.....	705 00
Cambridge .....	Three hundred eighteen dollars and forty-one cents.....	318 41
Canaan .....	Nine hundred seventy-seven dollars and sixteen cents.....	977 16
Concord .....	One hundred eighty-nine dollars and ten cents.....	189 10
Cornville .....	Nine hundred thirty-five dollars and sixty-eight cents.....	935 68
Detroit .....	Four hundred six dollars and twenty-eight cents.....	406 28
Embden .....	Seven hundred three dollars and fifty-three cents.....	703 53
Fairfield .....	Four thousand three hundred six dollars and thirty-six cents.....	4,306 36
Harmony .....	Five hundred twenty-eight dollars and seventy-six cents.....	528 76
Hartland .....	One thousand three hundred thirty-five dollars and twenty-eight cents.....	1,335 28
Madison .....	Four thousand three hundred forty-eight dollars and sixty-eight cents.....	4,348 68
Mercer .....	Four hundred thirty-seven dollars and sixty cents.....	437 60
Moscow .....	Two hundred forty-seven dollars and fifty-two cents.....	247 52
New Portland.....	Nine hundred fifty-eight dollars and thirty-two cents.....	958 32
Norridgewock .....	One thousand six hundred dollars and sixty-three cents.....	1,600 63
Palmyra .....	Nine hundred forty-seven dollars and forty-four cents.....	947 44
Pittsfield .....	Three thousand two hundred sixty-six dollars and fifty-six cents.....	3,266 56
Ripley .....	Three hundred fifty-three dollars and fifty-seven cents.....	353 57
St. Albans.....	One thousand one hundred fifty dollars and eighty-one cents.....	1,150 81
Skowhegan .....	Ten thousand ninety-seven dollars and eighty-six cents.....	10,097 86
Smithfield .....	Three hundred seventy-nine dollars and thirteen cents.....	379 13
Solon .....	One thousand thirty-eight dollars and forty cents.....	1,038 40
Starks .....	Six hundred thirty-three dollars and sixty-six cents.....	633 66
Total .....	Thirty-eight thousand four hundred ninety-seven dollars and eighty-five cents.....	\$38,497 85

## SOMERSET COUNTY WILD LANDS.

No. 2, R. 1, B.P.W.K.R..	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents.....	\$121 22
No. 1, R. 2, B.P.W.K.R..	Sixty-four dollars and sixty-six cents....	64 66
No. 2, R. 2, B.P.W.K.R..	Fifty-three dollars and four cents.....	53 04
No. 1, R. 3, B.P.W.K.R..	Thirty dollars and fifty-four cents.....	30 54
No. 2, R. 3, B. P. W. K. R., East part.....	Sixty-three dollars and twenty-six cents	63 26
No. 2, R. 3, B. P. W. K. R., West part.....	Eleven dollars and eighty-eight cents....	11 88
No. 3, R. 3, B.P.W.K.R..	Seventy-five dollars and seventy-six cents .....	75 76
No. 4, R. 3, B. P. W. K. R., N. half.....	Sixty-eight dollars and ninety-six cents..	68 96
No. 1, R. 4, B.P.W.K.R..	Ninety-seven dollars and ninety cents...	97 90
No. 2, R. 4, B. P. W. K. R., east half.....	Sixty-two dollars and thirty cents.....	62 30
West half .....	Sixty-seven dollars and forty cents.....	67 40
No. 3, R. 4, B. P. W. K. R., N. ½.....	Thirty-three dollars and six cents.....	33 06
No. 3, R. 4, B. P. W. K. R., S. ½.....	Sixty-six dollars and twelve cents.....	66 12
No. 4, R. 4, B.P.W.K.R..	Ninety-six dollars and twenty-five cents..	96 25
No. 1, R. 5, B. P. W. K. R., East Canada Road..	Forty-seven dollars and twenty-seven cents .....	47 27
West Canada Road.....	Fifty-two dollars and sixty-four cents....	52 64
No. 2, R. 5, B. P. W. K. R., E. ½.....	Twenty-two dollars and three cents.....	22 06
No. 2, R. 5, B. P. W. K. R., W. ½.....	Thirty-six dollars and seventy-one cents	36 71
No. 3, R. 5, B. P. W. K. R., Part, Pratt tract...	One hundred fifty-one dollars and sixty-six cents.....	151 66
Part, Pray tract.....	Fifteen dollars and one cent.....	15 01
Eight thousand acre tract .....	Twenty-seven dollars and sixty cents....	27 60
No. 4, R. 5, B. P. W. K. R., West Part.....	Thirty-four dollars and forty cents.....	34 40
East part.....	Thirty-nine dollars and twenty cents.....	39 20
No. 1, R. 6, B. P. W. K. R., West part, ten thousand acre tract.....	Forty-two dollars and forty-eight cents..	42 48
East part Chase stream tract .....	Seventy-six dollars and thirty-one cents	76 31
No. 2, R. 6, E. C. R. part	Fifty-three dollars and seventy-nine cents.....	53 79
No. 2, R. 6, W. C. R. part	Forty-one dollars and twenty-five cents..	41 25
No. 3, R. 6, B.P.W.K.R..	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents.....	121 22
No. 4, R. 6, B.P.W.K.R..	Seventy-five dollars and seventy-six cents	75 76
No. 5, R. 6, B.P.W.K.R..	One hundred six dollars and seven cents	106 07
Strip North of No.'s 1, 2, 3, R. 7, B. P. W. K. R....	Fifteen dollars and eighty-four cents....	15 84
No. 1, R. 7, B.P.W.K.R..	One hundred eight dollars and ninety cents .....	108 90
No. 2, R. 7, B.P.W.K.R..	One hundred eighty-nine dollars and sixty-three cents.....	189 63
No. 3, R. 7, B.P.W.K.R..	Sixty dollars and twenty-three cents.....	60 23
No. 4, R. 7, B.P.W.K.R..	Eighty-three dollars and twenty-nine cents .....	83 29
No. 5, R. 7, B.P.W.K.R..	Eighty-six dollars and fifty-nine cents....	86 59
No. 6, R. 7, B.P.W.K.R..	One hundred one dollars and seventeen cents .....	101 17

## SOMERSET COUNTY—WILD LANDS—Continued.

No. 2, R. 1, B.P.E.K.R...	One hundred eighty-one dollars and eighty-four cents.....	\$181 84
No. 2, R. 2, B.P.E.K.R...	One hundred one dollars and six cents.....	101 06
No. 1, R. 3, B.P.E.K.R...	Two hundred three dollars and forty-three cents.....	203 43
No. 2, R. 3, B.P.E.K.R...	One hundred thirty-six dollars and thirty-seven cents.....	136 37
No. 1, R. 4, B.P.E.K.R...	One hundred thirty-six dollars and thirty-seven cents.....	136 37
No. 2, R. 4, B.P.E.K.R...	One hundred twenty-two dollars and thirty-eight cents.....	122 38
No. 1, R. 5, B.P.E.K.R...	Ninety-two dollars and fifty-six cents....	92 56
No. 2, R. 5, B.P.E.K.R...	One hundred thirty-one dollars and forty cents.....	131 40
No. 1, R. 6, B.P.E.K.R...	Sixty-six dollars and fifty-one cents.....	66 51
No. 1, R. 1, N. B. K. P...	Eighty-seven dollars and twelve cents....	87 12
No. 1, R. 1, N.B.K.P.Strip,	Twenty-seven dollars and twenty-two cents.....	27 22
No. 2, R. 1, N. B. K. P.	One hundred ten dollars and eighty-eight cents.....	110 88
No. 2, R. 1, N.B.K.P.Strip,	Thirty-six dollars and eighty-seven cents,	36 87
No. 3, R. 1, N. B. K. P.	One hundred sixty-five dollars and fifty-four cents.....	165 54
No. 4, R. 1, N. B. K. P.	One hundred fifty-one dollars and fifty-two cents.....	151 52
No. 5, R. 1, N. B. K. P.	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents.....	121 22
No. 6, R. 1, N. B. K. P.	Sixty-seven dollars and forty-seven cents.....	67 47
No. 1, R. 2, N. B. K. P.	One hundred thirty-seven dollars and fifty cents.....	137 50
No. 2, R. 2, N. B. K. P.	Sixty dollars and thirty-four cents.....	60 34
No. 3, R. 2, N. B. K. P.	One hundred fifty-one dollars and fifty-two cents.....	151 52
No. 4, R. 2, N. B. K. P.	One hundred fifty-eight dollars and forty cents.....	158 40
No. 5, R. 2, N. B. K. P.	One hundred six dollars and seven cents,	106 07
No. 6, R. 2, N. B. K. P.	One hundred thirty-seven dollars and fifty cents.....	137 50
Big W., N. B. K. P.....	One hundred seven dollars and twenty-two cents.....	107 22
Little W., N. B. K. P....	Sixteen dollars and six cents.....	16 06
No. 1, R. 3, N. B. K. P.	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents.....	121 22
No. 2, R. 3, N.B.K.P., N. ½,	Seventy-four dollars and twenty-five cents.....	74 25
No. 2, R. 3, N. B. K. P., S. E. ¼.....	Forty-two dollars and thirteen cents....	42 13
No. 2, R. 3, N. B. K. P., S. W. ¼.....	Twenty-seven dollars and eighty-four cents.....	27 84
No. 3, R. 3, N. B. K. P., E. half.....	Seventy-five dollars and thirty-five cents,	75 35
No. 3, R. 3, N. B. K. P., W. half.....	Sixty-four dollars and twenty-four cents,	64 24
No. 4, R. 3, N. B. K. P...	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents.....	121 22
No. 5, R. 3, N. B. K. P.	Fifty-eight dollars and eighty-two cents,	58 82
No. 6, R. 3, N. B. K. P.	One dollar and seventy-one cents.....	1 71
Seboomook .....	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents.....	121 22
No. 1, R. 4, N. B. K. P.	Ninety dollars and ninety-two cents.....	90 92
No. 2, R. 4, N. B. K. P...	One hundred thirteen dollars and forty-four cents.....	113 44
No. 3, R. 4, N. B. K. P...	One hundred thirty-six dollars and thirty-seven cents.....	136 37
No. 4, R. 4, N. B. K. P.	Seventy-two dollars and eighty-five cents.....	72 85
No. 5, R. 4, N. B. K. P.	Nineteen dollars and eighty cents.....	19 80
No. 3, R. 5, N. B. K. P.	Sixty dollars and sixty-one cents.....	60 61
No. 4, R. 5, N. B. K. P.	Forty-seven dollars and seventy-eight cents.....	47 78

## SOMERSET COUNTY—WILD LANDS—Concluded.

No. 4, R. 16, W. E. L. S..	Fifty-nine dollars and nineteen cents....	\$59 19
No. 5, R. 16, W. E. L. S., E. half.....	Thirty-seven dollars and twenty-four cents .....	37 24
No. 5, R. 16, W. E. L. S., W. half.....	Thirty-seven dollars and twenty-three cents .....	37 23
No. 6, R. 16, W. E. L. S..	Seventy-eight dollars and sixty-nine cents .....	78 69
No. 7, R. 16, W. E. L. S..	Eighty-one dollars and sixty-two cents..	81 62
No. 8, R. 16, W. E. L. S..	Seventy-nine dollars and forty-seven cents .....	79 47
No. 9, R. 16, W. E. L. S..	Eighty dollars and ninety-three cents....	80 93
No. 10, R. 16, W. E. L. S..	One hundred seven dollars and sixty- four cents .....	107 64
No. 4, R. 17, W. E. L. S..	One hundred twenty-three dollars and fifty-six cents .....	123 56
No. 5, R. 17, W. E. L. S..	Seventy-two dollars and thirty-eight cents .....	72 38
No. 6, R. 17, W. E. L. S..	Seventy-seven dollars and twenty-eight cents .....	77 28
No. 7, R. 17, W. E. L. S..	Sixty-two dollars and eighty-eight cents.	62 88
No. 8, R. 17, W. E. L. S..	Ninety-one dollars and eighty-three cents .....	91 83
No. 9, R. 17, W. E. L. S..	Ninety-six dollars and ten cents.....	96 10
No. 10, R. 17, W. E. L. S..	One hundred thirty-three dollars and forty-seven cents .....	133 47
No. 4, R. 18, W. E. L. S..	One hundred eight dollars and eighty- one cents .....	108 81
No. 5, R. 18, W. E. L. S..	Eighty-eight dollars and nine cents.....	88 09
No. 6, R. 18, W. E. L. S..	Ninety-three dollars and sixty cents....	93 60
No. 7, R. 18, W. E. L. S..	Eighty dollars and twenty-four cents....	80 24
No. 8, R. 18, W. E. L. S..	Sixty-two dollars and ninety-three cents.	62 93
No. 9, R. 18, W. E. L. S..	Forty-one dollars and twelve cents.....	41 12
No. 5, R. 19, W. E. L. S..	Sixty-five dollars and eighty-nine cents..	65 89
No. 6, R. 19, W. E. L. S..	Eighty-eight dollars and ninety-six cents.	88 96
No. 7, R. 19, W. E. L. S..	Seventy-nine dollars and seventy-two cents .....	79 72
No. 8, R. 19, W. E. L. S..	Fifty-six dollars and sixty-one cents....	56 61
No. 5, R. 20, W. E. L. S..	Fifty-four dollars and eighty-nine cents.	54 89
Total .....	Eight thousand six hundred dollars and ninety-one cents .....	\$8,600 91

## SOMERSET COUNTY—TIMBER AND GRASS ON RESERVED LANDS.

No. 2, R. 3, B.K.P.E.K.R.	One dollar and ninety-eight cents.....	\$1 98
No. 2, R. 4, B.K.P.E.K.R.	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 1, R. 5, B.K.P.E.K.R.	Two dollars and twenty cents .....	2 20
No. 2, R. 5, B.K.P.E.K.R.	Four dollars and sixty-two cents.....	4 62
No. 1, R. 6, B.K.P.E.K.R.	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 2, R. 3, B.K.P.E.K.R.	One dollar and ninety-eight cents.....	1 98
No. 1, R. 4, B.K.P.W.K.R.	Three dollars and twenty-two cents.....	3 22
No. 2, R. 4, B.K.P.W.K.R.	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 3, R. 4, B.K.P.W.K.R.	Two dollars and sixty-four cents.....	2 64
No. 2, R. 5, B.K.P.W.K.R.	One dollar and ninety-eight cents.....	1 98
No. 3, R. 5, B.K.P.W.K.R.	Five dollars and twenty-eight cents.....	5 28
No. 4, R. 5, B.K.P.W.K.R.	One dollar and ninety-eight cents.....	1 98
No. 1, R. 6, B.K.P.W.K.R.	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96

## SOMERSET COUNTY—TIMBER AND GRASS—Continued.

No. 2, R.6, B.K.P.W.K.R.	Three dollars and thirty cents.....	\$3 30
No. 3, R.6, B.K.P.W.K.R.	Four dollars and sixty-two cents.....	4 62
No. 4, R.6, B.K.P.W.K.R.	Two dollars and sixty-four cents.....	2 64
No. 5, R.6, B.K.P.W.K.R.	Two dollars and sixty-four cents.....	2 64
No. 1, R.7, B.K.P.W.K.R.	Three dollars and seventy-six cents.....	3 76
No. 2, R.7, B.K.P.W.K.R.	Six dollars and sixty cents.....	6 60
No. 3, R.7, B.K.P.W.K.R.	Two dollars and forty-two cents.....	2 42
No. 4, R.7, B.K.P.W.K.R.	Two dollars and sixteen cents.....	2 16
No. 5, R.7, B.K.P.W.K.R.	Three dollars and fifteen cents.....	3 15
No. 6, R.7, B.K.P.W.K.R.	Three dollars and forty-seven cents.....	3 47
No. 1, R. 1, N. B. K. P...	Four dollars and sixty-seven cents.....	4 67
No. 2, R. 1, N. B. K. P...	Five dollars and sixty-one cents.....	5 61
No. 3, R. 1, N. B. K. P...	Six dollars and fifty-three cents.....	6 53
No. 5, R. 1, N. B. K. P...	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 6, R. 1, N. B. K. P...	Three dollars and forty-four cents.....	3 44
No. 1, R. 2, N. B. K. P...	Five dollars and fifty cents.....	5 50
No. 2, R. 2, N. B. K. P...	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 3, R. 2, N. B. K. P...	Five dollars and twenty-eight cents.....	5 28
No. 6, R. 2, N. B. K. P...	Five dollars and fifty cents.....	5 50
Little W., R. 3, N.B.K.P.	Sixty-two cents .....	62
Big W., R. 3, N. B. K. P.	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 1, R. 3, N. B. K. P...	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 2, R. 3, N. B. K. P...	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 3, R. 3, N. B. K. P...	Five dollars and twenty-eight cents.....	5 28
No. 4, R. 3, N. B. K. P...	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 5, R. 3, N. B. K. P...	One dollar and ninety-eight cents.....	1 98
Seboomook, R.4,N.B.K.P.	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 1, R. 4, N. B. K. P...	Four dollars and sixty-two cents.....	4 62
No. 2, R. 4, N. B. K. P...	Two dollars and sixty-five cents.....	2 65
No. 3, R. 4, N. B. K. P...	Four dollars and sixty-two cents.....	4 62
No. 4, R. 4, N. B. K. P...	One dollar and eighty-four cents.....	1 84
No. 5, R. 4, N. B. K. P...	Forty-three cents .....	43
No. 3, R. 5, N. B. K. P...	Forty-one cents .....	41
No. 4, R. 5, N. B. K. P...	One dollar and forty-five cents.....	1 45
No. 4, R. 16, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 5, R. 16, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 6, R. 16, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 7, R. 16, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 8, R. 16, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 9, R. 16, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 10, R. 16, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 4, R. 17, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 5, R. 17, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 6, R. 17, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 7, R. 17, W. E. L. S..	One dollar and thirty-eight cents.....	1 38

## SOMERSET COUNTY—TIMBER AND GRASS—Concluded.

No. 8, R. 17, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	\$2 75
No. 9, R. 17, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 10, R. 17, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 4, R. 18, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 5, R. 18, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 6, R. 18, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and seventy-five cents.....	2 75
No. 7, R. 18, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 8, R. 18, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 9, R. 18, W. E. L. S..	Ninety-five cents .....	95
No. 5, R. 19, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and three cents.....	2 03
No. 6, R. 19, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 7, R. 19, W. E. L. S..	Two dollars and six cents.....	2 06
No. 8, R. 19, W. E. L. S..	One dollar and thirty-eight cents.....	1 38
Total .....	Two hundred fourteen dollars and sixty-seven cents .....	\$214 67

## WALDO COUNTY.

Belfast .....	Eight thousand three hundred sixty-nine dollars and sixty-four cents.....	\$8,369 64
Belmont .....	Two hundred eighty-six dollars and eighty-three cents .....	286 83
Brooks .....	Seven hundred twenty dollars and sixty-seven cents .....	720 67
Burnham .....	Six hundred fifty-three dollars and twenty-two cents .....	653 22
Frankfort .....	Five hundred seventy-one dollars and sixty-three cents .....	571 63
Freedom .....	Four hundred sixty-two dollars and twenty-three cents .....	462 23
Islesborough .....	Eight hundred thirty-eight dollars and seventy-four cents .....	838 74
Jackson .....	Four hundred twenty-four dollars and seventy cents .....	424 70
Knox .....	Five hundred ninety dollars and forty-eight cents .....	590 48
Liberty .....	Six hundred sixty-nine dollars and sixty-eight cents .....	669 68
Lincolntonville .....	Nine hundred thirty-five dollars and fifty-seven cents .....	935 57
Monroe .....	Eight hundred sixty-six dollars and sixty-two cents .....	866 62
Montville .....	Nine hundred eight dollars and ninety-one cents .....	908 91
Morrill .....	Four hundred twenty-four dollars and seventy-eight cents .....	424 78
Northport .....	Eight hundred six dollars and eighty-nine cents .....	806 89
Palermo .....	Five hundred twenty-six dollars and sixty-seven cents .....	526 67
Prospect .....	Five hundred seventeen dollars and sixty-six cents .....	517 66
Searsport .....	One thousand nine hundred ninety-four dollars and fifty-six cents .....	1,994 56
Searsmont .....	Nine hundred thirty-six dollars and seventy-eight cents .....	936 78
Stockton Springs.....	Seven hundred sixty dollars and nineteen cents .....	760 19
Swanville .....	Four hundred thirty-eight dollars and forty-nine cents .....	438 49
Thorndike .....	Seven hundred nine dollars and twelve cents .....	709 12
Troy .....	Seven hundred fifty dollars and fifteen cents .....	750 15
Unity .....	Nine hundred seventy-six dollars and sixty-eight cents .....	976 68
Waldo .....	Four hundred fifty-three dollars and fifty-three cents .....	453 53
Winterport .....	One thousand six hundred twenty-eight dollars and ninety-seven cents.....	1,628 57
Total .....	Twenty-seven thousand two hundred twenty-three dollars and thirty-nine cents .....	\$27,223 39

## WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Addison .....	Five hundred sixty-five dollars and ninety-four cents	\$565 84
Alexander .....	One hundred seventy-six dollars and ninety-eight cents	176 98
Baileyville .....	One hundred seventy-six dollars and twenty-one cents	176 21
Baring .....	Two hundred twenty-three dollars and five cents	223 05
Beddington .....	One hundred eighty-six dollars and sixty-two cents	186 62
Brookton .....	Three hundred twenty-one dollars and thirty-four cents	321 84
Calais .....	Eight thousand four hundred thirty-six dollars and twenty-one cents	8,436 21
Centerville .....	One hundred thirty-six dollars and fifty cents	136 50
Charlotte .....	Two hundred nineteen dollars and thirty-three cents	219 33
Cherryfield .....	One thousand four hundred sixty-nine dollars and seventy-five cents	1,469 75
Columbia .....	Two hundred fifty-eight dollars and thirteen cents	258 13
Columbia Falls.....	Five hundred two dollars and eighty-five cents	502 85
Cooper .....	One hundred thirty dollars and twenty-six cents	130 26
Crawford .....	Sixty-nine dollars and seventy-one cents	69 71
Cutler .....	Two hundred thirty-four dollars and fifteen cents	234 15
Danforth .....	Six hundred eighty dollars and eighty-two cents	680 82
Deblois .....	Fifty-seven dollars and eighty-seven cents	57 87
Dennysville .....	Four hundred thirty-eight dollars and eighteen cents	438 18
East Machias.....	One thousand fifty-four dollars and twenty-five cents	1,054 25
Eastport .....	Five thousand two hundred sixteen dollars and forty-four cents	5,216 44
Edmunds .....	One hundred sixty-three dollars and one cent	163 01
Forest City.....	Two hundred eight dollars and four cents	208 04
Harrington .....	Seven hundred sixty-nine dollars and sixteen cents	769 16
Jonesborough .....	Three hundred nine dollars and thirty cents	309 30
Jonesport .....	Nine hundred sixty-five dollars and seventeen cents	965 17
Lubec .....	One thousand five hundred fifty dollars and thirty-three cents	1,550 33
Machias .....	Two thousand one hundred fifty-six dollars and ninety-five cents	2,156 85
Machiasport .....	Five hundred seventy-six dollars and six cents	576 06
Marion .....	Seventy-five dollars and seventy-one cents	75 71
Marshfield .....	One hundred sixty-seven dollars and four cents	167 04
Meddybemps .....	Eighty-one dollars and twenty-nine cents	81 29
Millbridge .....	One thousand three hundred twelve dollars and twenty-five cents	1,312 25
Northfield .....	Ninety-four dollars and thirty-nine cents	94 39
Pembroke .....	Eight hundred seventy-three dollars and eighty-four cents	873 84
Perry .....	Five hundred ninety-five dollars and ninety-eight cents	595 98
Princeton .....	Six hundred eighty-two dollars and ninety-five cents	682 95
Robbinston .....	Four hundred forty-two dollars and forty-nine cents	442 49
Roque Bluffs.....	Sixty-three dollars and forty-two cents	63 42
Steuben .....	Four hundred ninety-six dollars and fifty-eight cents	496 58
Talmadge .....	One hundred seventy-one dollars and ninety-four cents	171 94
Topsfield .....	Two hundred two dollars and one cent	202 01
Trescott .....	One hundred forty-four dollars and forty-nine cents	144 49
Vanceborough .....	Five hundred thirty-four dollars and seventy-eight cents	534 78

## WASHINGTON COUNTY—CONCLUDED.

Waite .....	Eighty-five dollars and fifty-five cents....	\$85 55
Wesley .....	One hundred twenty-four dollars and ninety-three cents .....	124 93
Whiting .....	Two hundred twenty-six dollars and ninety-one cents .....	226 91
Whitneyville .....	One hundred ninety-four dollars and six ty-two cents .....	194 62
Total .....	Thirty-three thousand eight hundred twenty-three dollars and seventy-eight cents .....	\$33,823 78

## WASHINGTON COUNTY— WILD LANDS.

No. 18, East Division....	Forty-five dollars and forty-six cents....	\$45 46
No. 19, East Division....	Sixty dollars and sixty-one cents.....	60 61
No. 24, East Division....	Ninety-nine dollars .....	99 00
No. 27, East Division....	Eighty-three dollars and seventy-three cents .....	83 73
No. 18, Middle Division...	Forty-five dollars and forty-six cents....	45 46
No. 19, Middle Division, S. F. quarter.....	Seven dollars and twenty-two cents.....	7 22
No. 19, Middle Division, N. half and S. W. quarter,	Twenty-eight dollars and forty-four cents .....	28 44
No. 24, Middle Division...	Seventy-five dollars and seventy-six cents .....	75 76
No. 25, Middle Division...	Seventy-nine dollars and six cents.....	79 06
No. 29, Middle Division...	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents .....	121 22
No. 30, Middle Division...	One hundred six dollars and seven cents,	106 07
No. 31, Middle Division...	One hundred six dollars and seven cents,	106 07
No. 36, Middle Division...	Two hundred forty-two dollars and for- ty-four cents .....	242 44
No. 37, Middle Division...	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents .....	121 22
No. 42, Middle Division...	One hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents .....	121 22
No. 43, Middle Division, E. half .....	Sixty dollars and sixty-one cents.....	60 61
No. 43, Middle Division, W. half .....	Sixty dollars and sixty-one cents.....	60 61
No. 5, North Division, N. half .....	Thirty-three dollars and eleven cents....	33 11
No. 5, North Div., S. half,	Sixty dollars and sixty-one cents.....	60 61
No. 6, North Division....	Eighty-five dollars and eighty-two cents,	85 82
W. half, strip, N. of No. 6, N. Div.....	Seventeen dollars and thirty-three cents,	17 33
E. half, strip, N. of No. 6, N. Div.....	Twenty-seven dollars and twenty-three cents .....	27 23
Two mile strip, N. of No. 5 .....	Thirty-three dollars .....	33 00
No. 1, R. 1, T. S.....	Thirty-six dollars and ninety-eight cents,	36 98
No. 3, R. 1, T. S.....	Two hundred forty-five dollars and sixty cents .....	245 60
No. 1, R. 2, T. S.....	Sixty dollars and sixty-one cents.....	60 61
No. 1, R. 3, T. S.....	One hundred twenty-seven dollars and seventy-two cents .....	127 72
No. 6, R. 1, W. half, N. B. P. P.....	Seventy-five dollars and eighty-seven cents .....	75 87
No. 6, R. 1, E. half, N. B. P. P.....	Seventy-five dollars and seventy-six cents .....	75 76



## WASHINGTON COUNTY—WILD LANDS—Concluded.

No. 7, R. 2, N. B. P. P...	One hundred eighteen dollars and sixty-three cents .....	\$118 63
No. 8, R. 3, N. B. P. P...	One hundred seventeen dollars and seventy-two cents .....	117 72
No. 10, R. 3, N. B. P. P...	Sixty-eight dollars and twenty-three cents .....	68 23
No. 11, R. 3, N. B. P. P...	Forty-four dollars .....	44 00
No. 8, R. 4, N. B. P. P...	Eighty dollars and sixty-seven cents....	80 67
East part Indian Township, strip one mile wide,	Thirteen dollars and twenty cents.....	13 20
No. 9, R. 2, Codyville Pl..	Ninety-seven dollars .....	97 00
No. 14, Pl. E. D.....	Sixty-eight dollars and thirty-one cents..	68 31
No. 21, E. D. Pl.....	Sixty dollars and seventy-two cents.....	60 72
Total .....	Three thousand twelve dollars and thirty-two cents .....	\$3,012 82

## WASHINGTON COUNTY—TIMBER AND GRASS ON RESERVED LANDS.

No. 19, East Division....	One dollar thirty-two cents.....	\$1 32
No. 26, East Division....	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 27, East Division....	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 5, North Division....	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 6, North Division....	Five dollars and twenty-eight cents.....	5 28
No. 18, Middle Division..	Sixty-six cents .....	66
No. 19, Middle Division..	Ninety-nine cents .....	99
No. 24, Middle Division..	One dollar and ninety-eight cents.....	1 98
No. 25, Middle Division..	One dollar and ninety-eight cents.....	1 98
No. 29, Middle Division..	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 30, Middle Division..	Three dollars and thirty cents.....	3 30
No. 31, Middle Division..	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 1, R. 1, Titcomb Survey .....	One dollar and thirty-two cents.....	1 32
No. 3, R. 1, Titcomb Survey .....	Five dollars and twenty-eight cents.....	5 28
No. 1, R. 2, Titcomb Survey .....	One dollar and thirty-seven cents.....	1 37
No. 6, R. 1, N. B. P. P....	Three dollars and nineteen cents.....	3 19
No. 8, R. 3, N. B. P. P....	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 10, R. 3, N. B. P. P....	Sixty-six cents .....	66
No. 11, R. 3, N. B. P. P....	Ninety-two cents .....	92
No. 18, East Division....	Ninety-three cents .....	93
No. 36, Middle Division..	Seven dollars and ninety-two cents.....	7 92
No. 37, Middle Division..	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 42, Middle Division..	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
No. 43, Middle Division..	Three dollars and ninety-six cents.....	3 96
Total .....	Seventy-two dollars and seventy-four cents .....	\$72 74

## YORK COUNTY.

Acton .....	Eight hundred dollars and twenty-nine cents .....	\$ 800 29
Alfred .....	One thousand one hundred thirty-three dollars and ninety-five cents .....	1,133 95
Berwick .....	Two thousand six hundred sixteen dollars and ninety-seven cents .....	2,616 97
Biddeford .....	Twenty-three thousand four hundred thirty-one dollars and sixty-six cents ..	23,431 66
Buxton .....	One thousand nine hundred four dollars and forty-two cents .....	1,904 42
Cornish .....	One thousand two hundred fifty-three dollars and twenty-eight cents .....	1,253 28
Dayton .....	Six hundred fifty-six dollars and eighty-four cents .....	656 84
Ellot .....	One thousand two hundred seventy-four dollars and forty-five cents .....	1,274 45
Hollis .....	One thousand one hundred forty dollars and sixteen cents .....	1,140 16
Kittery .....	One thousand seven hundred twenty-seven dollars and seven cents .....	1,727 07
Kennebunk .....	Five thousand seven hundred fifty-two dollars and thirty-six cents .....	5,752 36
Kennebunkport .....	Three thousand four hundred forty-one dollars and five cents .....	3,441 05
Lebanon .....	Nine hundred eighty-three dollars and sixty cents .....	983 60
Limington .....	Nine hundred twenty-five dollars and ninety-one cents .....	925 91
Limerick .....	One thousand two hundred fifty dollars and fifty-seven cents .....	1,250 57
Lyman .....	Nine hundred ninety dollars and sixty-two cents .....	990 62
Newfield .....	Six hundred forty-four dollars and twelve cents .....	644 12
North Berwick .....	Two thousand one hundred forty-six dollars and seventy-seven cents .....	2,146 77
Old Orchard .....	Two thousand seventy dollars and ninety-one cents .....	2,070 91
Parsonsfield .....	One thousand three hundred twenty-two dollars and thirty-four cents .....	1,322 34
Sanford .....	Six thousand four hundred seventy-eight dollars and sixty-seven cents .....	6,478 67
Saco .....	Eleven thousand one hundred fifty-five dollars and ten cents .....	11,155 10
Shapleigh .....	Seven hundred fifteen dollars and forty-three cents .....	715 43
South Berwick .....	Three thousand two hundred seventy-eight dollars and forty-eight cents .....	3,278 48
Waterboro .....	One thousand ninety dollars and six cents .....	1,090 06
Wells .....	One thousand nine hundred thirty dollars .....	1,930 00
York .....	Four thousand five hundred thirty-nine dollars and sixty-nine cents .....	4,539 69
Total .....	Eighty-four thousand six hundred fifty-four dollars and seventy-seven cents ..	\$84,654 77

## RECAPITULATION.

Androscoggin .....	Seventy-eight thousand four hundred fifty-four dollars and seventy cents.....	\$78,454 70
Aroostook .....	Forty-nine thousand four hundred sixty-nine dollars and seventy-six cents.....	49,469 76
Cumberland .....	One hundred ninety-one thousand four hundred eight dollars and nineteen cents .....	191,408 18
Franklin .....	Twenty-two thousand eight hundred twenty-five dollars and eighty-two cents .....	22,825 82
Hancock .....	Forty thousand four hundred forty-three dollars and forty-two cents.....	40,443 42
Kennebec .....	Eighty-seven thousand two hundred seventy-nine dollars and fifty-five cents....	87,279 55
Knox .....	Thirty-seven thousand eight hundred one dollars and seventy-eight cents....	37,801 78
Lincoln .....	Twenty thousand four hundred sixty-four dollars and two cents.....	20,464 02
Oxford .....	Thirty-five thousand eight hundred seventy-three dollars and twenty cents....	35,873 20
Penobscot .....	Eighty-eight thousand two hundred eighty-four dollars and thirty-four cents .....	88,284 34
Piscataquis .....	Twenty-six thousand three hundred sixty-six dollars and fifty-one cents.....	26,366 51
Sagadahoc .....	Thirty thousand four hundred seven dollars and seventy-seven cents.....	30,407 77
Somerset .....	Forty-seven thousand three hundred thirteen dollars and forty-three cents..	47,313 43
Waldo .....	Twenty-seven thousand two hundred twenty-three dollars and thirty-nine cents .....	27,223 39
Washington .....	Thirty-six thousand nine hundred eight dollars and eighty-four cents.....	36,908 84
York .....	Eighty-four thousand six hundred fifty-four dollars and seventy-seven cents....	84,654 77
Total .....	Nine hundred five thousand one hundred seventy-nine dollars and forty-nine cents .....	\$905,179 49

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Sect. 2. The treasurer of this state shall, in the month of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, send his warrant with a copy of this tax act, directed to the mayor and aldermen, selectmen or assessors of each city, town or plantation, taxed as aforesaid, requiring them respectively to assess, in dollars and cents, the sum so charged, according to the provisions of the law for the assessment of taxes and to add the amount of such tax to the amount of county and town taxes, to be by them assessed in each city, town and plantation or other place, respectively.

Sect. 3. The treasurer of state in his said warrant, shall require the said mayor and aldermen, selectmen or assessors, respectively, to pay or to issue their several warrant or warrants requiring the collectors of their several cities, towns and plantations, to collect and pay in to the treasurer of their respective cities, towns and plantations, the sum against said cities, towns and plantations, respectively, in this act contained, which said respective treasurer shall pay to the state treasurer on or before the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, and said mayor, selectmen and assessors, respectively, shall return a certificate of the names of such collectors, with the sums which each collector may be required to collect, to said state treasurer, sometime before the first day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

Sect. 4. When the time for the payment of a state tax to the treasurer of state has expired, and it is unpaid, the treasurer of state shall give notice thereof to the municipal officers of any delinquent town, and unless such tax shall be paid within sixty days, the treasurer of state may issue his warrant to the sheriff of the county, requiring him to levy, by distress and sale, upon the real and personal property of any of the inhabitants of the town; and the sheriff or his deputy shall execute such warrants, observing the regulations provided for satisfying warrants against deficient collectors, as prescribed by chapter six of the revised statutes.

Sect. 5. When any state tax assessed upon any city or town remains unpaid, such city or town is precluded from drawing from the state treasury the school funds set apart for such city or town, so long as such tax remains unpaid.

Sect. 6. This act shall take effect when approved.

**Chapter 542.**

An Act to incorporate the South Portland Trust and Banking Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. N. F. Trefethen, C. A. Tilton, J. W. Lowell, L. H. Cobb, J. C. Knapp, E. C. Reynolds, E. E. Heckbert, F. G. Hamilton, L. S. Arey, J. H. Syphers, C. A. Vincent, W. E. Dyer, J. S. Fickett, H. E. Cash and A. E. Thurrell, or such of them as may by vote accept this charter, with their associates, successors and assigns are hereby made a body corporate and politic, to be known as the South Portland Trust and Banking Company, and as such shall be possessed of all the powers, privileges and immunities and subject to all the duties and obligations conferred on corporations by law.

Corpora-  
tors.

—corporate  
name.

Sect. 2. The corporation hereby created shall be located at South Portland, Cumberland county, Maine.

Location.

Sect. 3. The purposes of said corporation and the business which it may perform, are: first, to receive on deposit, money, coin, bank notes, evidences of debt, accounts of individuals, companies, corporations, municipalities and states, allowing interest thereon, if agreed, or as the by-laws of said corporation may provide; second, to borrow money, to loan money on credits or real estate or personal security, and to negotiate loans and sales for others; third, to own and maintain safe deposit vaults, with boxes, safes and other facilities therein to be rented to other parties for the safe keeping of moneys, securities, stocks, jewelry, plate, valuable papers and documents, and other property susceptible of being deposited therein, and may receive on deposit for safe keeping, property of any kind entrusted to it for that purpose; fourth, to act as agent for issuing, registering and countersigning certificates, bonds, stocks, and all evidences of debt or ownership in property; fifth, to hold by grant, assignment, transfer, devise or bequest, any real or personal property or trusts duly created, and to execute trusts of every description; sixth, to act as assignee, receiver, executor, and no surety shall be necessary upon the bond of the corporation, unless the court or officer approving such bond shall require it; seventh, to do in general all the business that may lawfully be done by a trust and banking company, but said corporation shall not have the power or authority to establish branches.

Purposes.

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Capital  
stock.

Sect. 4. The capital stock of said corporation shall not be less than fifty thousand dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, with the right to increase said capital stock at any time by a vote of the shareholders to any amount not exceeding five hundred thousand dollars. Said corporation shall not commence business as a trust or banking company, until stock to the amount of at least fifty thousand dollars shall have been subscribed and paid in, in cash.

Shall not  
loan on its  
own stock.

Sect. 5. Said corporation shall not make any loan or discount on the security of the shares of its own capital stock, nor be the purchaser or holder of any such shares unless necessary to prevent loss upon a debt previously contracted in good faith; and all stock so acquired shall within six months from the time of its acquisition be disposed of at public or private sale.

Board of  
trustees,  
and terms.

Sect. 6. All the corporate powers of this corporation shall be exercised by a board of trustees, who shall be residents of this state, whose number and term of office shall be determined by a vote of the shareholders at the first meeting held by the incorporators and at each annual meeting thereafter. The affairs and powers of the corporation may, at the option of the shareholders, be entrusted to an executive board of five members, to be, by vote of the shareholders, elected from the full board of trustees. The trustees of said corporation shall be sworn to the proper discharge of their duties, and they shall hold office until others are elected and qualified in their stead. If a trustee or director dies, resigns, or becomes disqualified for any cause, the remaining trustees or directors may appoint a person to fill the vacancy until the next annual meeting of the corporation. The oath of office of such trustee or director shall be taken within thirty days of his election, or his office shall become vacant. The clerk of such corporation shall, within ten days, notify such trustees or directors of their election, and within thirty days shall publish the list of all persons who have taken the oath of office as trustees or directors.

—executive  
board.

—trustees  
shall be  
sworn.

—vacan-  
cies, how  
filled.

Board of  
invest-  
ment.

—shall keep  
record of  
all loans,  
etc.

Sect. 7. The board of trustees or directors of said corporation shall constitute the board of investment of said corporation. Said trustees or directors shall keep in a separate book, specially provided for the purpose, a record of all loans, and investments of every description, made by said institution substantially in the order of time when such loans or investments are made, which shall show that such loans or investments have been made with the approval of the investment committee of said corporation, which shall indicate such particulars respecting such loans or

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investments as the bank examiner shall direct. This book shall be submitted to the trustees or directors and to the bank examiner whenever requested. Such loans or investments shall be classified in the book as the bank examiner may direct. No loan shall be made to an officer or director of said banking or trust company except by the unanimous approval of the executive board in writing, and said corporation shall have no authority to hire money or to give notes unless by vote of the said board duly recorded.

—loans  
shall be  
classified, as  
examiner  
may direct.

Sect. 8. No person shall be eligible to the position of a director or trustee of said corporation who is not the actual owner of ten shares of the stock.

Eligibility  
of directors.

Sect. 9. Said corporation, after beginning to receive deposits, shall, at all times, have on hand in lawful money, as a reserve, not less than fifteen per cent of the aggregate amount of its deposits which are subject to withdrawal on demand, provided, that in lieu of lawful money, two-thirds of said fifteen per cent may consist of balances payable on demand, due from any national or state bank.

Reserve  
fund.

Sect. 10. All the property or money held in trust by this corporation shall constitute a special deposit and the accounts thereof and of said trust department shall be kept separate, and such funds and the investment or loans of them shall be specially appropriated to the security and payment of such deposits, and not be subject to any other liabilities of the corporation; and for the purpose of securing the observance of this proviso, said corporation shall have a trust department in which all business pertaining to such trust property shall be kept separate and distinct from its general business.

Trust funds  
shall con-  
stitute a  
special de-  
posit.

—trust de-  
partment.

Sect. 11. An administrator, executor, assignee, guardian, or trustee, any court of law or equity, including courts of probate and insolvency, officers and treasurers of towns, cities, counties, and savings banks of the state of Maine may deposit any moneys, bonds, stocks, evidences of debt or of ownership in property, or any personal property, with said corporation, and any of said courts may direct any person deriving authority from them to so deposit the same.

Adminis-  
trators,  
etc., may -  
deposit  
with.

Sect. 12. Each shareholder of this corporation shall be individually responsible for all contracts, debts and engagements of said corporation to a sum equal to the amount of the par value of the shares owned by him, in addition to the amount invested in said shares.

Responsi-  
bility of  
share-  
holders.

**CHAP. 542****Guaranty  
fund.**

Sect. 13. Such corporation shall set apart as a guaranty fund not less than ten per cent of its net earnings in each and every year until such fund with the accumulated interest thereon, shall amount to one-fourth of the capital stock of said corporation.

**Taxation of  
shares.**

Sect. 14. The shares of said corporation shall be subject to taxation in the same manner and rate as are the shares of national banks.

**Shall be ex-  
amined by  
bank ex-  
aminer.**

Sect. 15. Said corporation shall be subject to examination by the bank examiner, who shall visit it at least once in every year, and as much oftener as he may deem expedient. At such visits he shall have free access to its vaults, books and papers, and shall thoroughly inspect and examine all the affairs of said corporation, and make such inquiries as may be necessary to ascertain its condition and ability to fulfill all its engagements.

**—proceed-  
ings when  
business be-  
comes haz-  
ardous.**

If upon examination of said corporation the examiner is of the opinion that its investments are not in accordance with law, or said corporation is insolvent, or its condition is such as to render its further proceedings hazardous to the public or to those having funds in its custody, or is of the opinion that it has exceeded its powers or failed to comply with any of the rules or restrictions provided by law, he shall have such authority and take such action as is provided for in the case of savings banks by chapter forty-seven of the revised statutes. He shall preserve

**—examiner  
shall keep  
record.**

in a permanent form a full record of his proceedings, including a statement of the condition of said corporation. A copy of such statement shall be published by said corporation immediately after the annual examination of the same in some newspaper published where said corporation is established. If no paper is published in the town where said corporation is established, then it shall be published in a newspaper printed in the nearest city or town. The necessary expenses of the bank examiner while engaged in making such examination shall be paid by said corporation.

**—state-  
ment shall  
be pub-  
lished.****First meet-  
ing, how  
called.**

Sect. 16. Any five of the corporators named in this act may call the first meeting of this corporation by mailing a written notice, signed by all, postage paid, to each of the other corporators, seven days at least before the day of the meeting, naming the time, place and purpose of such meeting, and at such meeting the necessary officers may be chosen, by-laws adopted and any other corporate business transacted.

Sect. 17. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 26, 1897.



**Chapter 543.**

An Act to amend Section five of Chapter two hundred twenty-six of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred ninety-five, relating to the capital stock of the Buckfield Aqueduct Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section five of chapter two hundred twenty-six of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred ninety-five, relating to the capital stock of the Buckfield Aqueduct Company is hereby amended so that as amended said section shall read as follows:

Charter  
amended.

'Sect. 5. The capital stock of said corporation shall not exceed ten thousand dollars, and said stock shall be divided into shares of the par value of ten dollars each.'

Capital  
stock.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 26, 1897.

**Chapter 544.**

An Act to repeal certain old and obsolete Private and Special Laws relating to close time for fishing in the public waters of the State.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

The following named private and special laws are hereby repealed.

Chapter one hundred seventy-one of eighteen hundred seventy-two, relating to the taking of fish from Worthley pond and brook, in the town of Poland; chapter one hundred thirty-seven of eighteen hundred sixty-six, relating to the taking of fish from Range and Tripp ponds, in the town of Poland; chapter fifty-five of eighteen hundred eighty-seven, relating to the taking of fish from Round lake, in the town of Littleton; chapter one hundred forty-two of eighteen hundred eighty-seven, relating to the taking of fish from Bonny Eagle pond, in the towns of Standish and Buxton; chapter one hundred eighty-three of eighteen hundred eighty-seven, relating to the taking of fish from Great Watchie pond or tributaries, in the town of Standish; chapter forty-six of eighteen hundred seventy-eight, relating to the taking of fish from Sanborn Brothers' pond, in the town of Baldwin; chapter three hun-

Certain  
laws, relat-  
ing to close  
time for  
fish in  
public  
waters of  
the state,  
repealed.

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in the town of Winslow; chapter two hundred twenty of eighteen hundred sixty-nine, relating to the taking of pickerel in Three mile pond in the towns of Vassalboro, China and Windsor; chapter three hundred sixty-eight of eighteen hundred fifty-four, relating to the taking of pickerel from Webber's pond in the town of Vassalboro; chapter one hundred seven of eighteen hundred fifty-three, relating to the taking of pickerel from Fifteen mile pond, in the town of Albion; chapter thirty-four of eighteen hundred seventy-eight, relating to catching eels from Damariscotta river or pond; chapter four hundred seventy-one of eighteen hundred seventy-four, relating to the taking of white perch from Damariscotta pond or any stream flowing therein; chapter two hundred ninety-three of eighteen hundred ninety-one, relating to the taking of fish from Spectacle pond and its tributaries; chapter one hundred fifty-seven of eighteen hundred sixty-nine, relating to the taking of pickerel from Farrington and Upper Kezar ponds in the town of Lovell; chapter three hundred fifty-three of eighteen hundred fifty-nine, relating to the taking of pickerel from Lovewell's, Kezar, Charles', Pleasant and Clay ponds or their tributaries, in the town of Fryeburg; chapter three hundred eight of eighteen hundred fifty-four, relating to the taking of pickerel from North, South or Round ponds or their tributary streams, in the towns of Greenwood, Woodstock or Hamlin's grant; chapter five hundred fifty of eighteen hundred seventy-four, relating to the taking of trout in the tributaries of Androscoggin river; chapter five hundred and seventy-six of eighteen hundred ninety-three, relating to the taking of fish from Labrador and Little Labrador ponds, in the town of Sumner; chapter four hundred thirty-one of eighteen hundred eighty-five, relating to the taking of fish from Garland village pond, J. F. Crowell's pond, Holt's mills pond, in the town of Garland; chapter sixty-two of eighteen hundred eighty-one, relating to the taking of fish with nets from Hewes' pond or its tributaries, in the town of Hermon; chapter two hundred twenty-six of eighteen hundred seventy-six, relating to the taking of fish from Pushaw pond, or streams flowing into or out of said pond; chapter four hundred sixty-one of eighteen hundred fifty-five, relating to the taking of trout or togue from Cold stream pond, in the towns of Enfield and Lowell; chapter two hundred nine of eighteen hundred seventy-six, relating to the taking of pickerel from North West pond, in the towns of Parkman and

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Approved March 26, 1897.

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## Chapter 545.

An Act to incorporate the Chain Lake Dam and Improvement Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Corpora-  
tors.

—corporate  
name.

Author-  
ized to  
build dams  
and make  
improve-  
ments.

Sect. 1. John K. Ames, Frank S. Ames, Alfred K. Ames, their associates and assigns, are hereby incorporated under the name of the Chain Lake Dam and Improvement Company, with all the powers and privileges of similar corporations.

Sect. 2. Said corporation is authorized to build dams, side dams, remove rocks and make all other necessary improvements in Chain lake and Chain lake stream to facilitate the driving of logs and lumber down the same, and for the purpose the

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said corporation may take land and materials necessary to build such dams, and make such improvements; and may flow contiguous lands so far as necessary to raise suitable heads of water. And if the parties cannot agree upon the damages, the corporation shall pay the proprietors of the land and materials so taken, such damages as shall be ascertained and determined by the county commissioners for the county of Washington, in the same manner, and under the same conditions and limitations as are by law provided in the case of damage by laying out public highways. And for the damage occasioned for flowing land, the said corporation shall not be liable to an action at common law, but persons injured may have a remedy by a complaint for flowing, in which the same proceedings shall be had as when a complaint is made under statute of this state for flowing lands, occasioned by raising a head of water for the working of mills.

—damages,  
how ascer-  
tained.

—damages  
for flowage.

Sect. 3. The said corporation may demand and receive a toll for the passage of logs over or through their said dams or improvements of eight cents per thousand feet, board measure, woods scale, for all logs landed above the Air Line road, and six cents per thousand upon all logs landed below said road. And said corporation shall have a lien upon all logs and lumber which may pass over any of its dams and improvements, for payment of said tolls; but the logs of each particular mark shall be holden only for the tolls of such mark, and unless such toll is paid within twenty days after such logs or lumber, or a major part of the same, shall arrive at the place of manufacture or destination, said corporation may seize said logs and lumber and sell at public auction so many and so much thereof as shall be necessary to pay such tolls, costs and charges. Notice of the time and place of such sale shall be given fourteen days before such sale, in some newspaper printed in Machias.

Tolls es-  
tablished.

—lien on  
logs.

—logs of  
particular  
mark,  
holden for  
such mark.

Sect. 4. When said corporation shall have received from tolls its outlay on dams and improvements, and the repairs made up to that time, and eight per cent interest, then the tolls shall be reduced, pro rata, to a sum sufficient to keep the works in repair.

When tolls  
shall be re-  
duced.

Sect. 5. This act shall take effect when approved.

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An Act to authorize the Georges River Mills to develop, sell and use electric power, and to transmit by electricity, for use, lease or sale, heat, light and power.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Author-  
ized to use  
and sell  
electric  
power.

Sect. 1. The Georges River Mills, a corporation duly organized under the general law, and having its place of business at Warren, Maine, is hereby authorized and empowered to develop, sell, and use electric power, and to transmit by electricity, for use, lease or sale, heat, light and power, as herein authorized.

May erect  
poles, etc.,  
for trans-  
mission of  
electricity.

Sect. 2. Said corporation is hereby empowered to set, erect and maintain all poles, wires and fixtures necessary for the development and transmission of electricity for the purpose of furnishing electric light, heat and power, for manufacturing purposes; carrying on the business now authorized by its articles of incorporation; for use in all buildings owned or leased by said corporation or its employes, and other purposes for which its use is herein authorized, in and through the streets and ways of said Warren, under such reasonable restrictions as may be imposed by the municipal officers thereof, subject to and in accordance with the general laws of the state regulating the erection of poles and lines for the purposes of electricity; with the right to cut down trees and remove obstacles, when necessary, within the limits aforesaid, except ornamental, fruit or shade trees. Such power so transmitted may be used in the operation of any railroad or street railroad or by any corporation authorized by its charter or general law to use electricity or any other motive power for power, heat or light.

—under re-  
strictions  
by muni-  
cipal of-  
ficers.

—how pow-  
er may be  
used.

May erect  
poles, etc.,  
on private  
land.

—shall file  
in registry  
of deeds,  
discrip-  
tion of  
land taken.

—damages,  
how esti-  
mated.

Sect. 3. Said corporation, for the purposes aforesaid, is authorized to set, erect, and maintain such poles, wires and fixtures, over, along and upon any private land, and to purchase or take such land for such purposes, as and for public uses. In case of such taking, said corporation shall file in the registry of deeds for the county wherein the property affected may lay, a description of the land and interest therein taken. In such case, if the parties cannot agree on the damage occasioned thereby, the damages shall be estimated, paid, and secured in the manner provided in the case of land taken for railroads.

May cross  
tide waters.

Sect. 4. For the purposes aforesaid said corporation is hereby authorized to cross and occupy tide and navigable waters

with its poles, wires and fixtures, or to carry its wires under the same by cable, in such manner as shall not unnecessarily interfere with or incommode the public use thereof.

Sect. 5. Said corporation shall in all cases be liable to pay to any town or city all sums recovered against it for damages by reason of any fault or neglect of said corporation, together with reasonable counsel fees and costs, with interest, provided said company shall have notice in writing of any suit wherein such damages are claimed, and shall be allowed to defend the same at its own expense.

—liable for  
damages  
caused by  
neglect.

Sect. 6. None of the provisions of this act, and none of the acts of the corporation hereunder, shall in any way be constructed as abridging, limiting, or affecting the rights and powers which said corporation now has under the general law.

Act shall  
not abridge  
existing  
powers.

Sect. 7. For the purpose of carrying out the foregoing provisions, or either of them, or any of the provisions of the purposes of said corporation, said corporation is authorized to issue its bonds, in such form and amount, and on such time and rate, as it may from time to time determine, and secure the same by mortgage of its property and franchise.

May issue  
bonds and  
mortgage  
property.

Sect. 8. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 26, 1897.

## Chapter 547.

An Act to determine the privileges of graduates of the State College.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Graduates of the state college shall enjoy before state boards, and in the practice of any profession, or the pursuit of any calling, for which they may be prepared, rights, privileges and exemptions, equal to those granted to the graduates of any other institutions within or without the state.

Graduates  
shall enjoy  
all privi-  
leges of  
graduates  
of other  
colleges.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 26, 1897.

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An Act to amend Section eight of Chapter three hundred nineteen of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred ninety-five, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Somerset Traction Company."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

**Charter  
amended.**

Sect. 1. Section eight of chapter three hundred and nineteen of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Somerset Traction Company," is hereby amended by adding to said section the words: 'Also the right to lease power and heat in the town of Skowhegan, provided that the poles and appliances erected or used in said Skowhegan by said Somerset Traction Company, its successors or assigns, shall not be used by any company, person, firm or corporation to transmit electricity for lighting purposes,' so that said section shall read as follows:

**Author-  
ized to  
carry on an  
express  
business.**

**—maintain  
hotels and  
cottages.**

**—lease  
power and  
heat.**

'Sect. 8. It is further authorized to carry on the business of an express company. It may also erect and maintain hotels, cottages and pleasure grounds near and around Hayden lake, provided that the right of taking lands or other property to be used for such last named purposes shall be acquired by purchase only. Also the right to lease power and heat in the said town of Skowhegan, provided that the poles and appliances erected or used in said Skowhegan by said Somerset Traction Company, its successors or assigns, shall not be used by any company, person, firm or corporation to transmit electricity for lighting purposes.'

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 26, 1897.

**Chapter 549.**

An Act to incorporate the Hartland Trust and Banking Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

**Corpora-  
tors.**

**—corporate  
name.**

Sect. 1. H. W. Stewart, G. M. Lancey, L. H. Goodwin, M. L. Merrill, F. E. Bridgham, N. B. Turner, S. B. Prescott, T. A. Linn, A. W. Miller, G. J. Shaw, R. W. Linn, Walter Moor, P. W. Thompson, or such of them as may by vote accept this charter, with their associates, successors and assigns are hereby made a body corporate and politic, to be known as the Hart-



land Trust and Banking Company, and as such shall be possessed of all the powers, privileges and immunities and subject to all the duties and obligations conferred on corporations by law.

Sect. 2. The corporation hereby created shall be located at Hartland, Somerset county, Maine.

Location.

Sect. 3. The purposes of said corporation and the business which it may perform, are: first, to receive on deposit, money, coin, bank notes, evidences of debt, accounts of individuals, companies, corporations, municipalities and states, allowing interest thereon, if agreed, or as the by-laws of said corporation may provide; second, to borrow money, to loan money on credits or real estate or personal security, and to negotiate loans and sales for others; third, to own and maintain safe deposit vaults, with boxes, safes and other facilities therein to be rented to other parties for the safe keeping of moneys, securities, stocks, jewelry, plate, valuable papers and documents, and other property susceptible of being deposited therein, and may receive on deposit for safe keeping, property of any kind entrusted to it for that purpose; fourth, to act as agent for issuing, registering and countersigning certificates, bonds, stocks, and all evidences of debt or ownership in property; fifth, to hold by grant, assignment, transfer, devise or bequest, any real or personal property or trusts duly created, and to execute trusts of every description; sixth, to act as assignee, receiver, executor, and no surety shall be necessary upon the bond of the corporation, unless the court or officer approving such bond shall require it; seventh, to do in general all the business that may lawfully be done by a trust and banking company, but said corporation shall not have the power or authority to establish branches.

Purposes.

Sect. 4. The capital stock of said corporation shall not be less than fifty thousand dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, with the right to increase said capital stock at any time by a vote of the shareholders to any amount not exceeding five hundred thousand dollars. Said corporation shall not commence business as a trust or banking company, until stock to the amount of at least fifty thousand dollars shall have been subscribed and paid in, in cash.

Capital stock.

—shall not commence business until \$50,000 has been paid in.

Sect. 5. Said corporation shall not make any loan or discount on the security of the shares of its own capital stock, nor be the purchaser or holder of any such shares unless neces-

Shall not loan on its own capital stock.

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sary to prevent loss upon a debt previously contracted in good faith; and all stock so acquired shall within six months from the time of its acquisition be disposed of at public or private sale.

**Board of trustees, qualification and tenure.**

**—executive board.**

**—shall be sworn.**

**—vacancies, how filled.**

**Board of investment.**

**—shall keep record of loans.**

**—book shall be submitted to trustees and bank examiner.**

**—how loans may be made to directors.**

Sect. 6. All the corporate powers of this corporation shall be exercised by a board of trustees, who shall be residents of this state, whose number and term of office shall be determined by a vote of the shareholders at the first meeting held by the incorporators and at each annual meeting thereafter. The affairs and powers of the corporation may, at the option of the shareholders, be entrusted to an executive board of five members, to be, by vote of the shareholders, elected from the full board of trustees. The trustees of said corporation shall be sworn to the proper discharge of their duties, and they shall hold office until others are elected and qualified in their stead. If a trustee or director dies, resigns, or becomes disqualified for any cause, the remaining trustees or directors may appoint a person to fill the vacancy until the next annual meeting of the corporation. The oath of office of such trustee or director shall be taken within thirty days of his election, or his office shall become vacant. The clerk of such corporation shall, within ten days, notify such trustees or directors of their election, and within thirty days shall publish the list of all persons who have taken the oath of office as trustees or directors.

Sect. 7. The board of trustees or directors of said corporation shall constitute the board of investment of said corporation. Said trustees or directors shall keep in a separate book, specially provided for the purpose, a record of all loans, and investments of every description, made by said institution substantially in the order of time when such loans or investments are made, which shall show that such loans or investments have been made with the approval of the investment committee of said corporation, which shall indicate such particulars respecting such loans or investments as the bank examiner shall direct. This book shall be submitted to the trustees or directors and to the bank examiner whenever requested. Such loans or investments shall be classified in the book as the bank examiner may direct. No loan shall be made to an officer or director of said banking or trust company except by the unanimous approval of the executive board in writing, and said corporation shall have no authority to hire money or to give notes unless by vote of the said board duly recorded.

Sect. 8. No person shall be eligible to the position of a director or trustee of said corporation who is not the actual owner of ten shares of the stock.

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Eligibility  
of directors.

Sect. 9. Said corporation, after beginning to receive deposits, shall, at all times, have on hand in lawful money, as a reserve, not less than fifteen per cent of the aggregate amount of its deposits which are subject to withdrawal on demand, provided, that in lieu of lawful money, two-thirds of said fifteen per cent may consist of balances payable on demand, due from any national or state bank.

Reserve  
fund.

Sect. 10. All the property or money held in trust by this corporation shall constitute a special deposit and the accounts thereof and of said trust department shall be kept separate, and such funds and the investment or loans of them shall be specially appropriated to the security and payment of such deposits, and not be subject to any other liabilities of the corporation; and for the purpose of securing the observance of this proviso, said corporation shall have a trust department in which all business pertaining to such trust property shall be kept separate and distinct from its general business.

Trust funds  
shall con-  
stitute a  
special de-  
posit.—trust de-  
partment.

Sect. 11. An administrator, executor, assignee, guardian, or trustee, any court of law or equity, including courts of probate and insolvency, officers and treasurers of towns, cities, counties, and savings banks of the state of Maine may deposit any moneys, bonds, stocks, evidences of debt or of ownership in property, or any personal property, with said corporation, and any of said courts may direct any person deriving authority from them to so deposit the same.

Adminis-  
trators,  
etc., may  
deposit  
with.

Sect. 12. Each shareholder of this corporation shall be individually responsible for all contracts, debts and engagements of said corporation to a sum equal to the amount of the par value of the shares owned by him, in addition to the amount invested in said shares.

Responsi-  
bility of  
stock-  
holders.

Sect. 13. Such corporation shall set apart as a guaranty fund not less than ten per cent of its net earnings in each and every year until such fund with the accumulated interest thereon, shall amount to one-fourth of the capital stock of said corporation.

Guaranty  
fund.

Sect. 14. The shares of said corporation shall be subject to taxation in the same manner and rate as are the shares of national banks.

Taxation of  
shares.

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Shall be  
subject to  
examina-  
tion by  
bank ex-  
aminer.

—shall have  
access to  
books, etc.

—proceed-  
ings, when  
business  
becomes  
hazardous  
to the pub-  
lic.

—shall keep  
record,  
which shall  
be pub-  
lished.

First meet-  
ing, how  
called.

Sect. 15. Said corporation shall be subject to examination by the bank examiner, who shall visit it at least once in every year, and as much oftener as he may deem expedient. At such visits he shall have free access to its vaults, books and papers, and shall thoroughly inspect and examine all the affairs of said corporation, and make such inquiries as may be necessary to ascertain its condition and ability to fulfill all its engagements. If upon examination of said corporation the examiner is of the opinion that its investments are not in accordance with law, or said corporation is insolvent, or its condition is such as to render its further proceedings hazardous to the public or to those having funds in its custody, or is of the opinion that it has exceeded its powers or failed to comply with any of the rules or restrictions provided by law, he shall have such authority and take such action as is provided for in the case of savings banks by chapter forty-seven of the revised statutes. He shall preserve in a permanent form a full record of his proceedings, including a statement of the condition of said corporation. A copy of such statement shall be published by said corporation immediately after the annual examination of the same in some newspaper published where said corporation is established. If no paper is published in the town where said corporation is established, then it shall be published in a newspaper printed in the nearest city or town. The necessary expenses of the bank examiner while engaged in making such examination shall be paid by said corporation.

Sect. 16. Any five of the corporators named in this act may call the first meeting of this corporation by mailing a written notice, signed by all, postage paid, to each of the other corporators, seven days at least before the day of the meeting, naming the time, place and purpose of such meeting, and at such meeting the necessary officers may be chosen, by-laws adopted and any other corporate business transacted.

Sect. 17. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 26, 1897.

**Chapter 550.**

An Act in reference to trustees of State College of Agriculture and  
Mechanic Arts.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in  
Legislature assembled, as follows:*

The trustees of the Maine State College of Agriculture and  
Mechanic Arts shall receive two dollars a day for their regular  
visits at said institution, and the same sum for every twenty  
miles travel.

Compensation of  
trustees.

Approved March 26, 1897.

**Chapter 551.**

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act to establish the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in  
Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The name of the corporation known as the Trustees of the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts is hereby changed to the University of Maine, and the said University of Maine shall have all the rights, powers, privileges, property, duties and responsibilities, which belong or have belonged to the said trustees.

Name  
changed to  
University  
of Maine.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect on some day in June eighteen hundred ninety-seven, to be fixed by the said trustees.

When act  
shall take  
effect.

Approved March 26, 1897.

**Chapter 552.**

An Act to amend Chapter three hundred and sixty-six of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Water Company."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in  
Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section twelve of chapter three hundred and sixty-six of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Charter  
amended.

'Sect. 12. The Livermore Falls Water Company agrees to furnish the town of East Livermore ten hydrants and water necessary for flushing sewers, for five years, free of all expense.'

Agrees to  
furnish  
water to  
town of  
East Liver-  
more,  
free for five  
years.

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Further amended.

Shall sell to town any time within 20 years.

—unless town votes to construct water works within two years, then company shall have full power to construct such works.

—town must, in case of purchase agree not to sell to any person or corporation.

—how price may be determined in case of disagreement.

Sect. 2. Section thirteen of said chapter is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

'Sect. 13. The Livermore Falls Water Company hereby agrees to sell its plant and franchise to the said town of East Livermore for a reasonable compensation therefor at any time within twenty years from the approval of this act; provided, however, that unless said town of East Livermore shall, within thirty days from the approval of this act, vote to construct a system of water works, in accordance with the provisions of this act, within two years from the date of the approval hereof, said Livermore Falls Water Company shall have full power and authority to proceed with the construction of such works and shall not be obliged to sell the same or its franchise to said town within five years from the date of the approval of this act; and in case said town shall vote to purchase said plant or franchise, as herein provided, said Livermore Falls Water Company shall not be obliged to convey the same, except upon condition that the same shall not be sold or conveyed by said town to any other person or corporation. If said Livermore Falls Water Company and the selectmen of said town of East Livermore cannot agree upon the sum to be paid for said plant and franchise, then either party may petition to any justice of the supreme judicial court, who shall appoint three disinterested men, who shall, after examination of said plant and franchise and hearing the parties, make award or appraisal which shall be binding on all the parties thereto.'

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 28, 1897.

**Chapter 553.**

An Act to amend Chapter two hundred fourteen of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred eighty-three, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Penobscot River Dam and Improvement Company, as amended by Chapter seventy-four of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred eighty-seven, and by Chapter four hundred eighty-two of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred eighty-nine, and by Chapter six hundred twenty of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred ninety-three.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Section two of said act is hereby amended by adding after the word "Greenbush," in the fourth line of said section, the following: 'Said corporation shall appropriate and cause to be expended annually for the purpose of hanging and maintaining booms upon said river the sum of twelve hundred dollars; said booms to be hung and maintained and said money to be expended under the direction of a committee selected, as follows: one by the Mattawamkeag Log Driving Company, one by the Penobscot Log Driving Company and one by the Penobscot East Branch Log Driving Company.' So that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Charter  
amended.

'Sect. 2. Said corporations may build dams, side dams, piers, booms, remove rocks, and make any other improvements to facilitate log driving in that part of the main Penobscot river above Greenbush. Said corporation shall appropriate and cause to be expended annually for the purpose of hanging and maintaining booms upon said river the sum of twelve hundred dollars; said booms to be hung and maintained and said money to be expended under the direction of a committee selected as follows: one by the Mattawamkeag Log Driving Company, one by the Penobscot Log Driving Company and one by the Penobscot East Branch Log Driving Company; and said corporation may take land and material necessary to construct their said works and improvements, and said corporation shall pay the proprietors of the land and material so taken such sum for damages as said corporation and said proprietors may agree upon; and if said corporation and said proprietors cannot agree, the damages shall be ascertained and determined by the county commissioners for the county of Penobscot in the same mode and manner, and under the same conditions and limitations, as is now provided by law in case of damage by laying out of public highways.'

Authorized to  
build dams  
and make  
improvements in  
Penobscot  
river.

—shall raise  
and expend  
money annually to  
maintain  
booms.

—by whom  
expended.

—may take  
land and  
materials.

—damages,  
how ascer-  
tained in  
case of dis-  
agreement.

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Section 3,  
amended.

Sect. 2. Section three of said act as amended by chapter six hundred and twenty of the private laws of eighteen hundred ninety-three, is further amended by striking out in the eleventh line of said section the words "two cents," and inserting in the place thereof the words 'one cent;' and by inserting after the word "Montague" in the twentieth line of said section the words 'and which have come into said Penobscot river above the mouth of the Madunkeunk stream,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Tolls estab-  
lished.

'Sect. 3. The said corporation may demand and receive a toll on all logs and lumber passing down the Penobscot river and over any dams or other improvements of such corporation, as follows: three cents for each thousand feet, board measure, on all logs and lumber that may come into the said Penobscot river above the mouth of the Mattawamkeag river; two and one-half cents for each thousand feet, board measure, on all logs and lumber that may come into the said Penobscot river out of said Mattawamkeag river, and between said Mattawamkeag river, and the mouth of Madunkeunk stream, one cent for each thousand feet, board measure, on all logs and lumber that may come into the said Penobscot river out of said Madunkeunk stream and between said Madunkeunk stream and the mouth of the Piscataquis river, and three-fourths of one cent for each thousand feet, board measure, on all logs and lumber that may come into the said Penobscot river out of said Piscataquis river and between said Piscataquis river and the foot of Passadumkeag falls. Provided, however, that on all logs and lumber not passing below Montague, and which have come into said Penobscot river above the mouth of the Madunkeunk stream, the toll shall be two cents for each thousand feet, board measure. And said corporation shall have a lien on all such logs and lumber for the payment of said toll, but the logs and lumber of each particular mark shall be holden only for the toll on such mark, and if the toll on any particular mark of logs or lumber shall not be paid within twenty days after the logs or lumber of such mark, or the major part thereof, shall have arrived within the limits of the Penobscot boom, or at Montague, then said corporation may enforce said lien in the manner provided in sections thirty-eight and thirty-nine of chapter ninety-one of the revised statutes for enforcing liens on logs and lumber.

—lien on  
logs.—how en-  
forced.



**Chapter 554.**

An Act to incorporate the Wiscasset and Moosehead Lake Telegraph and Telephone Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Alfred Lenox, Richard T. Rundlett, William G. Hubbard, Joseph P. Tucker, Alfred H. Lenox, Clarence A. Peaslee, William D. Patterson and Albert M. Card, and Jose White, their associates, successors and assigns are hereby made a body corporate by the name of the Wiscasset and Moosehead Lake Telegraph and Telephone company with all the rights, powers and privileges, and subject to all the duties and liabilities provided by the general laws of this state relating to corporations, with power by that name to sue and be sued, to have a common seal, to establish all by-laws and regulations for the management of its affairs not repugnant to the laws of this state and to do and perform any and all other legal acts, incident to similar corporations. Said corporation shall have the right to locate, construct, own, maintain and operate telegraph and telephone lines from some convenient point in the town of Wiscasset through the towns of Alna, Whitefield, Windsor, China, Albion, Burnham, Pittsfield and Hartland and from there by the most feasible and advantageous route to Moosehead lake.

Corporators.

—corporate name.

—may construct lines of telegraph.

—route.

Sect. 2. Said company shall have the right within the limits aforesaid to locate, construct, maintain and operate its lines of telegraph and telephone upon and along any public highway, bridge, or upon the line of any railroad, first having obtained the consent therefor, of the municipal officers of any town where it is proposed to construct said lines, and of the officers of any railroad company over which the same are to be built, but in such a manner as not to incommode or endanger the customary use of such way, bridge, or railroad, with the right to cut down trees and remove obstacles where necessary within the limits aforesaid, except ornamental, fruit or shade trees, and with the power to establish and collect tolls on said lines.

May locate lines along highways with consent of municipal officers.

—shall not incommode use of ways, etc.

Sect. 3. The company is hereby authorized to take, purchase, hold and dispose of such real estate and personal property as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this act, and in case of real estate taken, the damages therefor, when the parties cannot agree, shall be estimated, secured and paid, as in case of land taken for highways.

May hold real estate.

—damages, how estimated.

**CHAP. 554****Powers.**

Sect. 4. Said corporation is hereby authorized to carry on the business of practical telegraphic and telephonic connection, by the use of any proper telegraph or telephone appliances or inventions, and may attach its wires or any appliances to buildings or trees, provided, that the owners of such buildings or trees shall first give their consent thereto.

**Capital stock.**

Sect. 5. The capital stock of such corporation shall be such an amount as said corporation may from time to time deem necessary for all the purposes contemplated by their act, the same to be fixed by a vote of said corporation.

**May issue bonds and mortgage property.**

Sect. 6. Said corporation may issue its bonds for the construction and operation of its lines and the conduct of its business for such amount and on such time and rates of interest as said corporation may determine, and may secure the same by a mortgage of its franchises and property, present and prospective.

**Authorized to connect with other lines.**

Sect. 7. Said corporation is hereby authorized and empowered to connect its lines with the lines of any other telegraph or telephone company by contract with said company, or to lease or sell its own lines at any time.

**First meeting, how called.**

Sect. 8. Any one of the corporators named in this act, may call the first meeting of this company, by mailing or giving in hand a written notice to each of the other corporators, seven days at least before the day of said meeting, naming the time, place and purposes of such meeting, and at such meeting, if a majority of said corporators shall be present, a president, secretary, treasurer and directors may be chosen, by-laws adopted, and any other corporate business transacted.

**Shall not compete with existing or parallel lines.**

Sect. 9. It is a condition of this charter that this company shall not run its wires or locate its poles in any territory already occupied by another telephone company, or parallel by its wires those of any other company doing business under the laws of this state.

Sect. 10. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 26, 1897.

**Chapter 555.**

An Act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the Ellis River and its tributaries.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. No person or persons shall cast or throw into the Ellis river or its tributaries any mill waste, slabs, edgings, bark, chips, shavings, sawdust or any other mill waste of a fibrous nature created in the manufacture of any sawn or planed lumber, or shall place, pile or deposit on the banks of said Ellis river, or on the banks of any of its tributaries, any slabs, edgings, or any shavings or fibrous material created by the manufacturing of shingles, in such negligent or careless manner that the same shall fall or be washed into said river or said tributaries, or with the intent that the same shall fall or be washed into said river or said tributaries, whereby the navigation of said river may become impeded or injuriously affected, or which shall tend to impede or injuriously affect the navigation of, or fill up said river, or which shall fill up or obstruct, or tend to fill up or obstruct, the canal or wheel race of any woolen mill, cotton mill, flour mill, or other manufacturing establishment, or which shall damage or injuriously affect, or tend to damage or injuriously affect, the ice on said river, or on any of its tributaries, under a penalty for each offense, if the quantity shall not exceed five cords, of not less than five or more than twenty dollars; if the quantity cast or thrown in, or that shall fall or be washed in as aforesaid, at one or different times, shall exceed five cords in all, under a penalty of not less than twenty nor more than five hundred dollars.

Throwing  
of slabs,  
etc., into  
Ellis river  
forbidden.

—penalty  
for viola-  
tion.

Sect. 2. All the penalties under the provisions of the foregoing section shall be recovered by complaint or indictment before any court having jurisdiction in like offenses.

Penalties,  
how re-  
covered.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect on the first day of September, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

When act  
shall take  
effect.

**Chapter 556.**

An Act to incorporate the Union Gas and Electric Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Corpora-  
tors.

Sect. 1. Nathaniel Meader, Frank A. Smith, Fred Pooler, Frank B. Philbrick, Frank B. Webber, R. Wesley Dunn, I. S. Bangs, E. R. Drummond, M. C. Foster of Waterville, in the county of Kennebec and state of Maine, Josiah H. Drummond, of Portland, in the county of Cumberland and state of Maine, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby made a body corporate by the name of the Union Gas and Electric Company, and as such shall possess all the powers and be subject to all the duties and obligations conferred and imposed on corporations by law, except as otherwise provided herein.

—corporate  
name.

Purposes.

Sect. 2. The purposes of said corporation are the making, generating, selling, distributing and supplying gas or electricity, or both, for lighting, heating, manufacturing or mechanical purposes, in the city of Waterville and adjoining towns, or for either or any of such purposes, with all the rights and privileges and powers, and subject to all the restrictions and liabilities, by law incident to corporations of a similar nature.

Capital  
stock.

Sect. 3. The capital stock of said corporation shall be fifty thousand dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each. Said corporation may hold real and personal estate necessary and convenient for its purposes aforesaid.

May erect  
poles and  
wires  
through  
streets.

Sect. 4. Said corporation is hereby empowered to set poles and extend wires in and through the streets and ways of the city of Waterville and the towns of Winslow, Benton, Vassalboro and Fairfield, for the purpose of furnishing electric lights for public and private use in said city and towns, under such reasonable restrictions as may be imposed by the municipal officers thereof, subject to the general laws of the state regulating the erection of posts and lines for the purposes of electricity.

—under re-  
strictions of  
municipal  
officers.

—may lease  
power, etc.

It is also empowered to transmit electric power for lease or sale to such points in said city and towns as may be feasible, in such manner as may be expedient, and, subject to the general laws aforesaid, it may erect and maintain all posts, wires and fixtures necessary therefor. Said corporation shall have the right to lay gas pipes in any of the public streets or highways in said city of Waterville and said towns of Winslow, Benton, Vassalboro and Fairfield; the permit of the municipal officers of said city and

—lay gas  
pipes.

towns having first been obtained in writing, and to relay and repair the same, subject to such regulations as the health and safety of the citizens and the security of public travel may require and as may be prescribed by the authorities thereof.

Sect. 5. The city of Waterville, or any manufacturing or machine company having its place of business in said city of Waterville, or in said towns of Winslow, Benton, Vassalboro and Fairfield, may take and hold stock in said corporation. Said corporation is hereby authorized to purchase and hold the property, capital stock, rights, privileges, immunities and franchises of the Waterville Gas Light Company, upon such terms as may be agreed upon; and upon such purchase and transfer the said Union Gas and Electric Company shall have, hold, possess, exercise and enjoy all the locations, powers, privileges, rights, immunities, franchises, property and estate which, at the time of any such purchase and transfer, shall then be had, held, possessed, or enjoyed by said Waterville Gas Light Company. And said Waterville Gas Light Company is hereby authorized to make the contracts, sales and transfers authorized by section five of this act at meetings of its company called for such purpose. Said Union Gas and Electric Company may issue stock in payment and exchange for the stock, franchises and property of the Waterville Gas Light Company.

City of  
Waterville  
and towns,  
etc., may  
take stock.

—author-  
ized to  
purchase  
property of  
Waterville  
Gas Light  
Company.

—may issue  
stock in ex-  
change for  
stock of  
Waterville  
Gas Light  
Company.

Sect. 6. Said Union Gas and Electric Company may issue its bonds upon such rates and time as it may deem expedient, and in such amount as may be required for the objects of its incorporation and for the purposes authorized by this act, and secure the same by mortgage upon the franchise and property of said company.

May issue  
bonds and  
mortgage  
property.

Sect. 7. The first meeting of said corporation may be called by written notice thereof, signed by any two corporators herein named, served upon each corporator by a copy of the same in hand or mailed, postage paid, at least seven days prior to the day named therein for such meeting.

First meet-  
ing, how  
called.

Sect. 8. The charter hereby granted shall be null and void, if the Waterville and Fairfield railway and light company shall, in a proper and workmanlike manner, make the following improvements in and extension of its existing plant at the times herein required: said company shall on or before the first day of January in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, add to its existing plant an auxiliary steam plant, with a capacity of five hundred horse power, and water wheels of

Charter  
void if Wa-  
terville and  
Fairfield  
Railway  
Company  
shall make  
needed im-  
prove-  
ments.

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—time for  
making im-  
prove-  
ments may  
be ex-  
tended.

—deter-  
mination  
when con-  
ditions  
have been  
complied  
with.

approved pattern with a capacity of five hundred horse power under a head of eleven feet, together with such electrical appliances as will enable said corporation to utilize said additional power for the purposes of electricity under the obligations of its charter. Said company shall begin said work as soon as July one, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven. Upon petition therefor by the said Waterville and Fairfield railway and light company, filed in the clerk's office of the supreme judicial court for Kennebec county during the month of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, any justice of the supreme judicial court, in term time or vacation, after notice to said Union Gas and Electric Company, or, if not then organized, to any incorporator thereof, and after hearing thereon, may extend said time a reasonable period, if it appears to such justice that said Waterville and Fairfield railway and light company has prosecuted said work in good faith and has been prevented from the full performance thereof by inevitable accidents or unavoidable causes. Upon application made by the Waterville and Fairfield Railway and Light company or by the Union Gas and Electric Company, filed in the clerk's office of the supreme judicial court for Kennebec county during the month of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, or during the thirty days next following the aforesaid extension of date of completion, any justice of the supreme judicial court, after notice and hearing, in term time or vacation, shall determine finally and without appeal whether the aforesaid conditions have been substantially performed and whether the charter hereby granted is or is not in full force and operation, and such finding signed by such justice shall be returned to and entered of record in the office of the clerk of courts of the county of Kennebec.

Approved March 27, 1897.

**Chapter 557.**

An Act to amend Chapter two hundred and twenty-one of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred ninety-five, which is an act to incorporate the Long Pond Dam Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. Insert after the word "improvements" in the ninth line of section two of said act the following: 'Said corporation may erect and maintain a dam with sluices therein at the outlet of lake Onawa, otherwise known as Ship pond, in the town of Willimantic and county of Piscataquis, and may take land and materials for building said dam and sluices.' After the word "therefor" in the eleventh line insert the words, 'and all damages for flowage of land caused by the erection of the dam at the outlet of lake Onawa aforesaid,' and after the word "highways," being the last word in said section, insert the following: 'Provided, however, that the rights hereby granted to said corporation to build and maintain the dam at the outlet of lake Onawa shall not be so exercised or held as to deprive the owners of land on which said dam is built and of the lands immediately adjoining the same of the right at any time to use the falls at the outlet of said lake or on Ship pond stream and the lands immediately adjoining the same for the purpose of developing water power and using, selling or leasing the same for manufacturing or mechanical purposes. In case the dam built by said corporation at the outlet of said lake Onawa is deemed insufficient by the owners of said land to raise and maintain a head of water for manufacturing or mechanical purposes as herein set out said owners are to have the right to build and maintain such dam with sluices therein as they deem necessary and said owners shall then succeed to all the rights hereby granted to said Long Pond Dam Company to said dam at the outlet of lake Onawa. Said owners, however, shall pay to said Long Pond Dam Company such sum, if any, as may be due to said corporation for building and maintaining said dam at the outlet of said lake Onawa and shall have the right to collect the tolls herein provided until they are reimbursed for the money paid to said Long Pond Dam Company, with annual interest at six per cent thereon; said tolls are then to cease. Said owners of said land shall have all the rights to the lien and enforcement of the same as herein granted to said Long Pond Dam Company;' so that said section shall read as follows:

Charter amended.

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May erect  
dams on  
Long pond  
stream.

—powers.

—may take  
land.

—may erect  
dam at out-  
let of Ship  
pond.

—may take  
land and  
materials.

—damages,  
how esti-  
mated.

—shall not  
deprive  
owners of  
land of any  
rights.

—owners  
have right  
to build dam  
at Ship  
pond and  
succeed to  
the rights  
of com-  
pany.

—shall pay  
company  
for im-  
prove-  
ments.

—when tolls  
shall cease.

'Sect. 2. Said corporation may erect and maintain a dam with side dams and sluices on Long pond stream near the foot of Long pond, to facilitate the driving of logs and lumber down Long pond stream, and said corporation may remove rocks, build dams and side dams, and make other improvements on Long pond stream between said Long pond and lake Onawa in the township of Elliottsville and county of Piscataquis, and may take land and materials for building said dams and making said improvements. And said corporation may erect and maintain a dam with sluices therein at the outlet of lake Onawa, otherwise known as Ship pond in the town of Willimantic and county of Piscataquis, and may take land and materials for building said dam and sluices, and if the parties owning said land and materials cannot agree upon the damages therefor and all damages for flowage of lands caused by the erection of the dam and sluices at the outlet of lake Onawa aforesaid, then said damages shall be estimated by the county commissioners for Piscataquis county as provided by law in case of taking land for public highways. Provided, however, that the rights hereby granted said corporation to build and maintain the dam at the outlet of lake Onawa shall not be so exercised or held as to deprive the owners of land on which said dam is built and of the lands immediately adjoining the same of the right at any time to use the falls at the outlet of said lake or on Ship pond stream and the lands immediately adjoining the same for the purpose of developing the water power and using, selling or leasing the same for manufacturing or mechanical purposes. In case the dam built by said corporation at the outlet of said lake Onawa is deemed insufficient by the owners of said land to raise and maintain a head of water for manufacturing or mechanical purposes as herein set out said owners are to have the right to build and maintain such dam with sluices therein as they deem necessary and said owners shall then succeed to all the rights hereby granted to said Long Pond Dam Company to said dam at the outlet of lake Onawa. Said owners, however, shall pay to said Long Pond Dam Company such sum, if any, as may be due to said corporation for building and maintaining said dam at the outlet of said lake Onawa and shall have the right to collect the tolls herein provided until they are reimbursed for the money paid to said Long Pond Dam Company, with annual interest at six per cent thereon; said tolls are then to cease. Said owners of said land shall have all the rights to the lien and enforce-



ment of the same as herein granted to said Long Pond Dam CHAP. 557  
Company.'

Sect. 2. Strike out all of section four, commencing with the word "the" in the first line to and including the word "scale" in the eighth line and insert in place thereof the following: 'The said corporation may demand and receive a toll upon all logs and lumber which may pass through or over Long pond dam and Long pond stream, of forty cents for each thousand feet, board measure, woods scale, except for the logs and lumber put into the said Long pond stream below the falls of said stream, called Slue Gundy, on which shall be fifteen cents for each thousand feet, board measure, woods scale, and may demand and receive a toll upon all logs and lumber or pulp wood which may pass through or over the dam at the outlet of lake Onawa aforesaid, of twenty cents for each thousand feet, board measure, woods scale, for all saw logs and lumber, and five cents per cord for all pulp wood.' So that said section shall read as follows:

Section 4.  
amended.

'Sect. 4. The said corporation may demand and receive a toll upon all logs and lumber which may pass through or over Long pond dam and Long pond stream, of forty cents for each thousand feet, board measure, woods scale, except for the logs and lumber put in to the said Long pond stream below the falls on said stream called Slue Gundy, on which shall be fifteen cents for each thousand feet, board measure, woods scale, and may demand and receive a toll upon all logs and lumber or pulp wood which may pass through or over the dam at the outlet of lake Onawa aforesaid, of twenty cents for each thousand feet, board measure, woods scale, for all saw logs and lumber, and five cents per cord for all pulp wood; and said corporation shall have a lien upon all logs and lumber which may pass through or over any of its said dams and improvements for the payment of said tolls, but the logs of each particular mark shall be holden only for the tolls of such mark and if such toll or tolls are not paid within twenty days after such logs, or a major part of them, shall arrive at the Penobscot boom or place of manufacture, said corporation may seize such logs and lumber and sell at public auction so many thereof as shall be necessary to pay such toll or tolls, costs and charges, notice of the time and place of such sale being first given ten days prior to said sale in some newspaper printed in Bangor and in the county of Piscataquis.'

Tolls estab-  
lished.

—Lien on  
logs for  
tolls, to  
how en-  
forced.

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## Chapter 558.

An Act to authorize the Penobscot Central Railway to maintain a street railroad in the city of Bangor, over a route to be fixed by the municipal officers.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Company  
author-  
ized to  
maintain a  
street rail-  
road.

—route.

—location  
over streets  
in Bangor,  
shall be de-  
termined  
by munici-  
pal of-  
ficers.

Shall pre-  
sent peti-  
tion for ap-  
proval to  
railroad  
commis-  
sioners.

—notice and  
hearing.

Sect. 1. The Penobscot Central Railway, a corporation organized under the general laws of the state, is hereby authorized to construct, maintain and operate by electricity, compressed air, or animal power a street railroad with convenient single or double tracks, side tracks, switches, or turnouts, with all necessary or convenient lines of poles, wires, appliances, appurtenances and conduits, from the boundary line between Glenburn and Bangor on the new road, so called, leading from Kenduskeag to Bangor, where the present location of said railway now terminates to the steamboat landing, and to the land of the Maine Central Railroad Company over such streets, roads and ways as may be fixed and determined by the municipal officers of said Bangor and under such restrictions as said municipal officers may impose under the general laws of the state relative to street railroads as the same may be amended from time to time. All such tracks shall be laid at such distances from the street lines in said city as the municipal officers thereof may determine.

Sect. 2. Before commencing the construction of its road, the said corporation shall present to the railroad commissioners a petition for approval of location, defining its courses, distances and boundaries, accompanied with a map of the proposed route on an appropriate scale with the written approval of the proposed route and location as to streets, roads or ways, of the municipal officers of the towns in which said railway is to be constructed in whole or in part and having also thereon the route and location in the city of Bangor authorized by section one of this act, and with a report and estimate prepared by a skillful engineer. Said commissioners shall upon presentation of such petition, appoint a day for hearing thereon, and the petitioners shall give such notice thereof as said commissioners deem reasonable and proper, in order that all persons interested may have an opportunity to appear and object thereto. If the board of railroad commissioners, after hearing the petition, shall, subject to the provisions of section nine of chapter two hundred and sixty-eight of the public laws of eighteen hundred

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and ninety-five, approve the proposed location and find that public convenience requires the construction of such road, it shall endorse its approval on the petition, and the corporation may then proceed with the construction of such road, provided, that it first files with the clerk of the county commissioners of Penobscot county a copy of the location and plan aforesaid and another copy of the same with the board of railroad commissioners.

Sect. 3. The procedure above authorized is hereby declared to be cumulative and in addition to the general laws of the state as the same may be amended at the present session.

Sect. 4. Except as modified by the provisions hereof, said corporation shall have all the powers and privileges conferred by and be subject to all the liabilities of chapter two hundred and sixty-eight of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, as amended by chapter eighty-four of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, and as said chapters may be amended from time to time.

Sect. 5. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 27, 1897.

—approval  
of com-  
missioners.  
—company  
shall file  
copies of  
plan with  
clerk of  
county  
commis-  
sioners,  
and with  
railroad  
commis-  
sioners.  
Procedure  
is in addi-  
tion to  
general  
laws.

Powers and  
privileges.

## Chapter 559.

An Act to legalize the doings of the Saccarappa Aqueduct Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The acts and doings of the Saccarappa Aqueduct Company, which was organized under the Statutes of the State, on the sixth day of June eighteen hundred and forty-six, for the purpose of supplying water to the inhabitants of Saccarappa, in the present city of Westbrook, in laying assessments, in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-three, upon the shares of stockholders to defray the expense of repairing its mains, and subsequently selling the shares of delinquents for non-payment of such assessments, are hereby legalized and declared valid.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 27, 1897.

Doings of  
company  
made valid.

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## Chapter 560.

An Act to incorporate the Damariscotta and Bristol Telephone Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Corpora-  
tors.

Sect. 1. C. B. Meserve, N. J. Hanna, J. W. Brackett and R. H. Oram, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby created a body politic by the name of the Damariscotta and Bristol Telephone company, with all the rights and privileges, and subject to all the duties provided by the general laws of this state relating to corporations, with power by that name to sue and be sued, to have and use a common seal, to establish all by-laws and regulations for the management of its affairs, not repugnant to the laws of this state, and to do any and all lawful acts incident to similar corporations.

Author-  
ized to  
maintain  
lines of  
telephone.

Sect. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized to own, construct, maintain and operate a line or lines of telephone from the town of Damariscotta in the state of Maine into and through the town of Bristol in said state, upon and along any public highway or bridge, subject to the control of the municipal officers of said town, but in such a manner as not to incommode or endanger the customary public use thereof, and said corporation may cut down any trees standing within the limits of any highway, except ornamental or shade trees, when necessary for the erection, use or safety of its lines.

—route.

—subject to  
approval of  
municipal  
officers.

—may cut  
down trees.

Powers and  
duties.

Sect. 3. Said corporation is hereby authorized to carry on the business of providing practical telephonic communication by the use of any proper telephone appliance or invention, and may purchase, sell or lease any such appliance or invention, and operate the same. Said corporation may attach its wires or other appliances to buildings or trees, provided that the owners of such buildings or trees shall first give written consent thereto.

Capital  
stock.

Sect. 4. The capital stock of said company shall be of such amount as they may from time to time determine to be necessary for the sole purpose of owning, constructing, maintaining and operating the line or lines of telephone hereby authorized and contemplated, and of any telephone appliance or invention referred to herein, and they may purchase, hold or dispose of such personal and real estate as may be necessary for their purposes.

May con-  
nect with  
other lines.

Sect. 5. This company shall have power, by agreement with other person or persons, or bodies corporate, to connect this line or lines with other lines of telephone within the state.

Sect. 6. In case of real estate taken necessary to carry out the provisions of this act, the damages therefor, when the parties cannot agree, shall be estimated, secured and paid as in case of lands taken for highways.

Sect. 7. Any two of the persons named in this act of incorporation, may call the first meeting of the company, by giving written and reasonable notice thereof to each of their associates.

Sect. 8. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 27, 1897.

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Damages,  
how esti-  
mated in  
case of dis-  
agreement.

First meet-  
ing, how  
called.

### Chapter 561.

An Act to legalize the proceedings by which Palmyra Grange, number three hundred and sixteen, was organized.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The organization of Palmyra grange, number three hundred and sixteen, of Palmyra, effected February seventeen, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, is hereby confirmed and made valid.

Organiza-  
tion of  
Palmyra,  
Grange  
made valid.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 27, 1897.

### Chapter 562.

An Act additional to and amendatory of Chapter six hundred and thirty-four, Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, as amended by Chapter fifty, Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to the Hampden and Winterport Railway.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. In addition to the powers, rights, duties and obligations of the Hampden and Winterport Railway specified in its charter, chapter six hundred and thirty-four, private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, as amended by chapter fifty, private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, said corporation is hereby granted the right and authority to extend its lines, construct, maintain and operate its street railway with convenient single and double tracks, side tracks, switches or turnouts, with all the necessary or convenient

Company  
author-  
ized to ex-  
tend its  
lines.

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—route.

—location of poles and track shall be made by municipal officers.

May lay tracks in city of Bangor, through streets, consented to by Bangor Street Railway.

—may run to Hermon line.

—through Hermon, Levant, Stetson and Exeter.

lines of poles, wires and appliances for motive power in and through the towns of Newburgh and Dixmont, in the county of Penobscot, and the town of Monroe in the county of Waldo.

The location of poles and tracks to be made by the municipal officers, after the right of way has been granted by the towns named with all the rights and privileges and subject to all the provisions, conditions, obligations and liabilities, as set forth in chapter six hundred and thirty-four, private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three and chapter fifty, private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five.

Sect. 2. Said Hampden and Winterport Railway is hereby granted the right to lay its tracks and operate its line of street railway in the city of Bangor, on the westerly side of Kenduskeag stream, through streets to be agreed upon, or consented to in writing by the Bangor Street Railway, also to run its cars over the tracks of said Bangor Street Railway, on such terms and conditions as are provided for in chapter fifty, private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five; to such places as it may establish its depots, for receiving either passengers, freight, express or mail matter, from any and all lines owned and operated by said corporation, to and from the line of Hermon; and to construct, extend, maintain, and operate its street railway, with convenient single and double tracks, side tracks, switches or turnouts, with all the necessary or convenient lines of poles, wires and appliances for motive power, in and through the towns of Hermon, Levant, Stetson and Exeter, in the county of Penobscot. The location of tracks and poles to be made by the municipal officers, after the right of way has been granted by the city of Bangor and the towns named; with all the rights and privileges and subjected to all the provisions, conditions, obligations and liabilities as set forth in the acts referred to.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 27, 1897.

**Chapter 563.**

An Act to extend the charter of the Waldo and Somerset Railway Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

The Waldo and Somerset Railway Company, organized under the provisions of their charter, granted by chapter two hundred and eighty-three of the private and special laws of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, is hereby authorized to extend the location of their railroad, and to construct, operate and maintain a railroad of standard or narrow gauge, from the junction of the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad with the Maine Central Railroad at Burnham village, to Canaan village, thence northerly through Cornville between the east and west ridges, to the village of Athens, in accordance with the provisions of their said charter and its amendments. And said corporation is hereby authorized to operate said railroad by steam or electricity.

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Approved March 27, 1897.

**Chapter 564.**

An Act to amend Section seven of Chapter one hundred and eighty, Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, relating to organization of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Maine.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section seven of chapter one hundred and eighty of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 7,  
chapter 180,  
private  
laws, 1869,  
amended.

'Sect. 7. The annual meeting shall take place at such time as may have been agreed upon in the first week in advent, and at such annual meeting an election of the requisite number of wardens and vestrymen shall be had, to serve until the next annual meeting and until their successors shall be chosen.'

Annual  
meeting,  
when held.

Approved March 27, 1897.

CHAP. 565**Chapter 565.**

An Act to amend Section two, Chapter one hundred and sixty-nine of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, relating to the Oxford Village Corporation.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 2.  
chapter 169,  
private  
laws, 1891,  
amended.

Sect. 1. Section two of chapter one hundred and sixty-nine of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one is hereby amended by adding thereto the following: 'to light its streets, to procure water for domestic and other purposes; and said corporation is authorized and empowered to contract with individuals, firms or corporations to furnish light or water either or both, for the purposes aforesaid; to build, repair and maintain sidewalks; to maintain police and night watch; to plant and care for shade trees; to build and maintain sewers, and make other village improvements.' So that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Corpora-  
tion may  
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purposes.

'Sect. 2. Said corporation is hereby invested with power, at any legal meeting called for the purpose, to raise such sums of money as may be sufficient for the purchase, repair and preservation of one fire engine, engine house, hose, buckets, ladders or other apparatus for the extinguishment of fire; for the construction of reservoirs and aqueducts for the procuring of water, and for organizing and maintaining within the limits of said territory an efficient fire department; to light its streets, to procure water for domestic and other purposes; and said corporation is authorized and empowered to contract with individuals, firms or corporations to furnish light or water, either or both, for the purposes aforesaid; to build, repair and maintain sidewalks; to maintain police and night watch; to plant and care for shade trees; to build and maintain sewers, and to make other village improvements.'

Approved March 27, 1897.



**Chapter 566.**

An Enabling Act for the annexation of Deering to Portland.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. The chief justice of the supreme judicial court shall, upon application of fifty qualified voters of the city of Portland and fifty qualified voters of the city of Deering, appoint a commission of three disinterested men not resident of either Portland or Deering, acting with one citizen resident of Portland and one citizen resident of Deering, who shall be chosen by their respective city governments, who shall after hearing, fix upon the terms and conditions of the annexation of the city of Deering to the city of Portland, and shall determine the number of wards and the ward lines within the city of Portland as enlarged by said annexation.

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Sect. 2. The said commission shall make its report of the terms and conditions of said annexation to the board of mayor and aldermen of the cities of Portland and Deering, not earlier than the first day of December, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, nor later than the first day of January, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, whereupon said board of mayor and aldermen shall forthwith issue warrants for meetings of the qualified voters of their respective cities to vote upon the question of the annexation of said city of Deering to said city of Portland upon the terms and conditions of said report, to take place at the regular annual meeting to be held on the first Monday in March, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, or in case either city shall not hold its annual meeting in March, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, a special meeting may be called and held during said month for the purposes named in this chapter; and this act shall be void unless the inhabitants of the city of Portland, and the inhabitants of the city of Deering, shall, at said meetings, each determine to adopt the same; at said meetings those favoring said annexation shall vote yes and those opposing shall vote no and thereupon the same proceedings shall be had respecting the sorting, counting, declaring and recording the returns of said votes as is provided for the election of mayors; and the boards of mayor and aldermen of said cities shall within three days thereafter meet and compare the returns of the ward officers and if it appears that a majority of all the votes given in on said annexation in each city is in favor thereof, the mayors

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of said cities shall forthwith make proclamation of the fact and thereupon this act shall take effect, and the city of Deering shall thereafterwards be annexed and become a part of the city of Portland upon the terms and conditions of the report of said commissioners.

In case of adoption, city governments and terms of officers shall continue until next election.

Sect. 3. In case of a vote in favor of said annexation by the qualified voters as herein provided, the then existing city governments of said cities of Portland and Deering, shall continue, with the same powers and authorities as they may then have under their respective city charters and the terms of all city officers of said cities of Portland and Deering, shall not expire, until the next regular municipal election under the then charter of said city of Portland.

Ward lines shall be determined by commission.

Sect. 4. In case of the adoption of this act as herein provided the ward lines of the city of Portland, as enlarged by the annexation of said city of Deering, shall thereafter be as determined by said commission and at the first and regular municipal election under the then charter of said city of Portland thereafter, there shall be elected like ward officers and members of the city council from each ward, as may then be provided for in said charter of said city of Portland, and until the next apportionment of representatives to the legislature, the inhabitants of that portion of the territory now comprising the city of Portland shall be entitled to six representatives, and the inhabitants of that portion of the territory now comprising the city of Deering shall be entitled to one representative, said representatives to be elected by said inhabitants at meeting thereof held in the wards as constituted by said commission.

—election of ward officers.

—representatives to the legislature.

All uncollected taxes in Deering shall be collected through officers of Portland.

Sect. 5. Upon the consummation of the annexation as herein provided, the city of Portland, through its proper officers, shall have the same power to collect all uncollected taxes in the present city of Deering, and to complete all other unfinished business of every nature, as the officers of said city of Deering would have had if annexation had not taken place.

Approved March 27, 1897.

**Chapter 567.**

An Act to provide in part for the Expenditures of Government.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Sect. 1. In order to provide for the several acts and resolves of the legislature, requiring the payment of money from the treasury, and also to provide for the necessary expenditures of government for the current fiscal year of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, the following sums are hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the treasury, and the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, is authorized, at any time prior to the first day of January next, to draw his warrant on the treasurer for the same.

Acts of ap-  
propria-  
tion.

Penobscot Indians, eight thousand four hundred nineteen dollars and seventy cents.....	\$8,419 70
Passamaquoddy Indians, eight thousand nine hundred seventy-three dollars and one cent....	8,973 01
Soldiers' pensions, seventy-five thousand dollars..	75,000 00
Advertising land sale and tax act, nine hundred dollars.....	900 00
Transportation of documents, two thousand five hundred dollars.....	2,500 00
Transportation of mail, fifty dollars.....	50 00
Stationery, seven thousand dollars.....	7,000 00
Postage, six thousand dollars.....	6,000 00
Fireman and mail carrier, one thousand eight hundred dollars.....	1,800 00
Night watch, two thousand four hundred dollars..	2,400 00
Porters and laborers, six thousand dollars.....	6,000 00
Furniture and repairs, eight thousand dollars....	8,000 00
Fuel and lights, eight thousand dollars.....	8,000 00
Freight and trucking, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
Water for State house, one thousand eight hundred dollars.....	1,800 00
Temporary home for women and children at Deering, one thousand dollars.....	1,000 00
Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary, five thousand dollars.....	5,000 00
Central Maine General Hospital, ten thousand dollars.....	10,000 00
Bangor Children's Home, one thousand dollars..	1,000 00

<b>CHAP. 567</b>	Saint Elizabeth Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, four hundred dollars.....	400 00
	Maine General Hospital, seven thousand five hundred dollars.....	7,500 00
	Maine state year book, nine hundred seventy- five dollars.....	975 00
	Women's Christian Temperance Union of Maine, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
	Castine state normal school, seven thousand three hundred dollars.....	7,300 00
	Eastern Maine General Hospital, five thousand dollars.....	5,000 00
	Maine state prison, seven thousand thirty-five dol- lars.....	7,035 00
	Maine state library under resolve, three thousand three hundred dollars.....	3,300 00
	Care of trust deposits, two hundred dollars.....	200 00
	Farmington state normal school, ten thousand dollars.....	10,000 00
	Gorham state normal school, twenty thousand dollars.....	20,000 00
	Expenses of commissioners for the promotion of uniformity of legislation in the United States, two hundred fifty dollars.....	250 00
	Fish and game, twenty-five thousand dollars.....	25,000 00
	Sea and shore fisheries, fifteen thousand dollars...	15,000 00
	Horace Nicola, one hundred dollars.....	100 00
	Atienne Lewi, one hundred twenty dollars.....	120 00
	Railroad commissioners, one thousand two hun- dred dollars.....	1,200 00
	Marking position held by third regiment at Gettys- burg, two hundred dollars.....	200 00
	Marking position held by fourth regiment at Get- tysburg, two hundred dollars.....	200 00
	Madawaska training school, three thousand two hundred fifty dollars.....	3,250 00
	City of Rockland, four hundred thirty-three dol- lars and twenty-seven cents.....	433 27
	E. B. Weeks, two hundred thirteen dollars and fifteen cents.....	213 15
	W. E. Parsons, one hundred dollars.....	100 00

Frederick M. O'Neil, chairman, one hundred sixteen dollars and sixty cents.....	116 60
N. U. Hinckley, chairman, fifty-eight dollars and fifty-eight cents.....	58 58
Chairman committee on education, two hundred five dollars.....	205 00
G. P. Longley, one hundred sixty-four dollars and thirty cents.....	164 30
Chairman committee on military affairs, twenty-six dollars.....	26 00
M. Hubbard Ferguson, chairman, ninety-two dollars and twenty cents.....	92 20
Simon B. Gates, two hundred fifty dollars.....	250 00
Town of Jefferson, two hundred forty-eight dollars and fifty cents.....	248 50
Town of Linneus, one hundred seventy dollars and thirty cents.....	170 30
Town of Forest City, three hundred dollars.....	300 00
Support of paupers prior to eighteen hundred ninety-seven, fifteen thousand nine hundred eight dollars.....	15,908 00
Insane state beneficiaries, prior to eighteen hundred ninety-seven, one thousand dollars.....	1,000 00
Back salary of guard at state prison, fifty-nine dollars and sixty-eight cents.....	59 68
Revised statutes for use of legislature, ninety dollars.....	90 00
Recovering roof on west wing of capitol, three thousand six hundred dollars.....	3,600 00
Extra help in library during session, one hundred fifty dollars.....	150 00
Cyrus Knapp and John A. Rowell, executors, one hundred fifty-seven dollars and sixty-four cents.....	157 64
Bridge in Lexington plantation, one hundred fifty dollars.....	150 00
Bridge in Lincoln plantation, one thousand five hundred dollars.....	1,500 00
Bridge across Macwahoc stream in Macwahoc plantation, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
Bridge in The Forks plantation, four hundred dollars.....	400 00

<b>CHAP. 567</b>	Bridge across Molunkus stream in Macwahoc plantation, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
	Bridge in town of Milbridge, five hundred dollars,	500 00
	Bridge in town of Kingman, five thousand dollars,	5,000 00
	Bridge in town of Haynesville, two thousand dollars, .....	2,000 00
	Bridge in town of Van Buren, one hundred fifty dollars .....	150 00
	Road and bridges in Indian township, seven hundred dollars .....	700 00
	Road in Dallas plantation, one hundred dollars..	100 00
	Road in Jerusalem plantation, one hundred dollars, .....	100 00
	Wiscasset bridge, two thousand five hundred dollars, .....	2,500 00
	Town of Brunswick; one thousand nine hundred eighty-one dollars and fifty-eight cents.....	1,981 58
	Commission to revise shore fisheries laws, one thousand five hundred sixty dollars and thirty cents .....	1,560 30
	Executors of the will of Cyrus Cole, two hundred ninety-seven dollars and eighty cents.....	297 80
	State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, twenty thousand dollars .....	20,000 00
	Town of Peru, two hundred seventy-one dollars and sixty-two cents.....	271 62
	Repairs of senate chamber, three thousand five hundred dollars .....	3,500 00
	Salaries of public officers, one thousand dollars...	1,000 00
	Miss Sybil A. Howe, forty dollars.....	40 00
	Bluehill Academy, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
	Calais Academy, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
	Cherryfield Academy, eight hundred dollars.....	800 00
	East Corinth Academy, two hundred dollars.....	200 00
	Freedom Academy, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
	Leavitt Institute, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
	Lee Normal Academy, seven hundred fifty dollars,	750 00
	Monmouth Academy, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
	North Yarmouth Academy, three hundred dollars,	300 00
	Parsonsfield Seminary, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
	Springfield Normal School, five hundred dollars,	500 00
	Westbrook Seminary, two thousand dollars.....	2,000 00

Wilton Academy, eight hundred dollars.....	800 00	<u>CHAP. 567</u>
Free public libraries prior to eighteen hundred ninety-seven, one hundred seventy-one dollars and eighty-seven cents .....	171 87	
Deaf, dumb and blind, two thousand dollars.....	2,000 00	
Expenses of state assessors, one thousand dollars, George M. Coombs, four thousand eight hundred ninety-five dollars .....	1,000 00	
Indexing papers and records in land office, one thousand dollars .....	4,895 00	
Investigation of the causes of fires, two thousand dollars .....	1,000 00	
Building and maintaining highways, three thou- sand five hundred dollars .....	2,000 00	
Town of York, one hundred seventy dollars and ten cents .....	3,500 00	
Portland School for the Deaf, five thousand dol- lars, .....	170 10	
Hospital of the society of the Sisters of Charity, one thousand five hundred dollars.....	5,000 00	
Maine Industrial School for Girls, seven thousand dollars .....	1,500 00	
Williams legacy to Maine Insane Hospital, forty dollars .....	7,000 00	
Repairs on highways and bridges in town of Cut- ler, five hundred dollars .....	40 00	
Document clerk, two hundred dollars.....	500 00	
City of Calais, one thousand four hundred three dollars and sixty-six cents .....	200 00	
High school building in town of Frenchville, five hundred dollars .....	1,403 66	
Little Samaritan Aid Society of Portland, two hundred fifty dollars .....	500 00	
Children's Aid Society of Maine, seven hundred fifty dollars .....	250 00	
Breakwater at Mattawamkeag bridge, three hun- dred dollars .....	750 00	
Repairs on buildings of girl's home at Belfast, five hundred dollars .....	300 00	
Town of Topsfield, twenty-one dollars and eighty- seven cents .....	500 00	
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<u>CHAP. 567</u>	Maine Gettysburg Commission, seven hundred fifty dollars .....	750 00
	Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum, eight thousand five hundred dollars .....	8,500 00
	Heirs of John Robertson, two hundred seventy-two dollars and eighty-nine cents.....	272 89
	Town of Hollis, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
	Babbitt Ridge road in town of Moscow, one hundred dollars .....	100 00
	Preservation of regimental rolls in Adjutant General's office, two thousand dollars.....	2,000 00
	Pennell Institute, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
	State reform school, twenty-eight thousand five hundred dollars .....	28,500 00
	Purchase of uniforms, equipage, and building mess and cook houses on camp ground, four thousand seven hundred fifty dollars.....	4,750 00
	Repairing church of Penobscot indians, two hundred fifty dollars .....	250 00
	Bridge over Dickey brook in Frenchville, two hundred fifty dollars .....	250 00
	Potter Academy, three hundred dollars.....	300 00
	Expenses governor and staff to transfer of Grant monument, one thousand five hundred dollars..	1,500 00
	State prison physican, two hundred fifty dollars..	250 00
	Walter B. Clark, fifty dollars.....	50 00
	Chapin Lydstone, fifty dollars.....	50 00
	Maurice W. Russell, fifty dollars.....	50 00
	Walter D. Bean, twenty-five dollars.....	25 00
	Charles H. Lovejoy, one hundred dollars.....	100 00
	Pages in the senate,three hundred dollars.....	300 00
	Stenographer and typewriter of senate, one hundred fifty dollars .....	150 00
	Fred W. Lee, three hundred dollars.....	300 00
	Extra services of porters and night watch during session, eight hundred fifty dollars.....	850 00
	Extra services of elevator men during session, one hundred fifty dollars .....	150 00
	Maine Insane Hospital, fifteen thousand dollars..	15,000 00
	Don H. Powers, two hundred dollars.....	200 00
	A. G. Sirois, one hundred fifty dollars.....	150 00



Purchase and distribution of photographic views, seven hundred fifty dollars .....	750 00
Summer training schools and distribution of edu- cational documents, two thousand five hundred dollars .....	2,500 00
Frank E. Southard, two hundred dollars.....	200 00
Purchase of York deeds, four hundred dollars...	400 00
Extra services of minor house officers, four hun- dred seventy-five dollars .....	475 00
Assistant clerk to finance committee, fifty dollars,	50 00
Contingent expenses of the legislature, six thou- sand three hundred seventy-five dollars.....	6,375 00
Legislative books, stationery and postage, three thousand six hundred thirty-two dollars.....	3,632 00
Normal schools and training school, four thou- sand dollars .....	4,000 00
Trustees of State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, one thousand dollars.....	1,000 00
Pay roll of senate, ten thousand four hundred nine dollars .....	10,409 00
Pay roll of house, thirty-two thousand eighty-one dollars .....	32,081 00
Stenographer and typewriter of house, one hun- dred fifty dollars .....	150 00
Extra services of minor senate officers, one hun- dred fifty dollars .....	150 00
Care of Ex-Governor King's lot in Oak Grove cemetery, one thousand dollars .....	1,000 00
Care of Eastern Maine Insane Hospital, one thou- sand five hundred dollars .....	1,500 00
Assistant librarian, three hundred dollars .....	300 00
Maine state cattle commission, contagious dis- eases, ten thousand dollars .....	10,000 00
Folder and assistant folder of senate, one hundred dollars .....	100 00

Amounting to the sum of five hundred nine thou-  
sand eight hundred eighty-nine dollars and  
sixty-two cents ..... \$509,889 62

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

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An Act to provide for the Expenditures of Government for the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Act of ap-  
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tion.

Sect. 1. In order to provide for the several acts and resolves of the legislature, requiring the payment of money from the treasury, and also to provide for the necessary expenditures of government for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, the following sums are hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the treasury, and the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, is authorized, at any time between the first day of January, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and the first day of January, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, to draw his warrant on the treasury for the same.

School fund and mill tax due in eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, five hundred twenty thousand dollars .....	\$520,000 00
School fund and mill tax due prior to eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, five thousand dollars, .....	5,000 00
Free high schools, forty-five thousand dollars....	45,000 00
Normal schools and training school, twenty-seven thousand dollars .....	27,000 00
Teachers' meetings, one thousand dollars.....	1,000 00
State examination of teachers, five hundred dollars .....	500 00
Trustees normal schools, six hundred dollars....	600 00
Interest on Madawaska territory school fund, three hundred dollars .....	300 00
Anson Academy, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
Bluehill Academy, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
Bridgton Academy, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
Calais Academy, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
Corinna Union Academy, five hundred dollars...	500 00
East Corinth Academy, three hundred dollars...	300 00
Erskine School, three hundred dollars.....	300 00
Foxcroft Academy, five hundred sixty dollars...	560 00
Fryeburg Academy, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
Gould's Academy, eight hundred dollars.....	800 00
Hampden Academy, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
Hebron Academy, sixty dollars.....	60 00

Houlton Academy, one hundred twenty dollars..	120 00
Limerick Academy, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
Limington Academy, three hundred dollars.....	300 00
Lincoln Academy, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
Litchfield Academy, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
Maine Central Institute, one thousand dollars....	1,000 00
Mattanawcook Academy, five hundred dollars...	500 00
Monson Academy, three hundred dollars.....	300 00
Oak Grove Seminary, eight hundred dollars.....	800 00
Paris Hill Academy, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
Parsonsfield Seminary, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
Patten Academy, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
Ricker Classical Institute, one thousand dollars...	1,000 00
Somerset Academy, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
Washington Academy, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
School district number two, Madison, fifty dollars,	50 00
Public debt, fifty thousand dollars.....	50,000 00
Interest on public debt, eighty thousand dollars..	80,000 00
Salaries of public officers, eighty-four thousand dollars .....	84,000 00
Private secretary to the governor, one thousand two hundred dollars .....	1,200 00
Stenographer to chief justice of supreme judicial court, one thousand five hundred dollars.....	1,500 00
Clerks in secretary of state's office, three thousand two hundred dollars .....	3,200 00
Clerks in treasurer's office, three thousand three hundred dollars .....	3,300 00
Clerk in adjutant general's office, one thousand dollars .....	1,000 00
Clerk in superintendent of schools' office, one thousand dollars .....	1,000 00
Pension clerk, one thousand two hundred dollars,	1,200 00
Secretary of board of agriculture, one thousand five hundred dollars .....	1,500 00
Clerk to secretary of board of agriculture, one thousand dollars .....	1,000 00
Clerks to bank examiner, one thousand five hun- dred dollars .....	1,500 00
Clerk to state assessors, one thousand dollars....	1,000 00
Assistant librarian, five hundred dollars.....	500 00

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Subordinate officers of state prison, ten thousand five hundred dollars .....	10,500 00
Messenger to governor and council, five hundred dollars .....	500 00
Stenographer and typewriter, six hundred dollars, .....	600 00
Fireman and mail carrier, one thousand eight hundred dollars .....	1,800 00
Night watch, two thousand four hundred dollars..	2,400 00
Porters and laborers, five thousand dollars.....	5,000 00
Contingent fund of governor and council, six thousand dollars .....	6,000 00
Pay roll of council, four thousand dollars.....	4,000 00
Journal of council, one hundred fifty dollars....	150 00
Indices, one hundred fifty dollars.....	150 00
Contingent fund of secretary of state, three hundred dollars .....	300 00
Contingent fund of treasurer, eight hundred dollars .....	800 00
County taxes collected in eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, twenty-seven thousand dollars....	27,000 00
Railroad and telegraph tax due towns, sixty-three thousand dollars .....	63,000 00
Trustees of reform school, eight hundred dollars..	800 00
Visiting committee to reform school, four hundred fifty dollars .....	450 00
Sanford legacy to reform school, forty-two dollars .....	42 00
Insane state beneficiaries, sixty-six thousand dollars .....	66,000 00
Criminal insane, three thousand five hundred dollars .....	3,500 00
Trustees of insane hospital, one thousand five hundred dollars .....	1,500 00
Visiting committee to insane hospital, four hundred dollars .....	400 00
Deaf, dumb and blind, twenty-four thousand dollars .....	24,000 00
Idiotic and feeble minded persons, three thousand dollars .....	3,000 00
Support of paupers in unincorporated places, fifteen thousand dollars .....	15,000 00
Expenses of state assessors, two thousand dollars,	2,000 00

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Expenses of attorney general, four hundred fifty dollars .....	450 00
Expenses of superintendent of common schools, five hundred dollars .....	500 00
Expenses of insurance commissioner, one thousand two hundred dollars .....	1,200 00
Expenses of bank examiner, six hundred dollars..	600 00
Expenses of forest commissioner, four hundred dollars .....	400 00
Expenses of secretary of board of agriculture, three hundred dollars .....	300 00
Expenses of inspector of factories, workshops, mines and quarries, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
Compensation and expenses of state liquor assayers, one thousand dollars.....	1,000 00
Inspectors of state prison and jails, one thousand five hundred dollars .....	1,500 00
Inspectors of steamboats, two thousand five hundred dollars .....	2,500 00
Inspector of dams and reservoirs, one hundred dollars .....	100 00
Printing, thirty-five thousand dollars.....	35,000 00
Binding and stitching, sixteen thousand dollars..	16,000 00
Stationery, eight thousand dollars.....	8,000 00
Postage, six thousand dollars.....	6,000 00
Agricultural societies, eight thousand two hundred dollars .....	8,200 00
Farmers' institutes, three thousand dollars.....	3,000 00
Board of agriculture, four hundred fifty dollars...	450 00
Burial expenses of soldiers and sailors, five thousand dollars .....	5,000 00
Sheriffs and coroners, six hundred dollars.....	600 00
Costs in criminal prosecutions, one thousand five hundred dollars .....	1,500 00
Superior court in Waterville, two hundred dollars,	200 00
Reports of judicial decisions, three thousand two hundred dollars .....	3,200 00
Advertising land sale and tax act, nine hundred dollars .....	900 00
Lands reserved for public uses, two thousand dollars .....	2,000 00

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Interest on lands reserved for public uses, four thousand dollars .....	4,000 00
Forfeited lands, two thousand dollars.....	2,000 00
Fuel and lights, seven thousand dollars.....	7,000 00
Furniture and repairs, eight thousand dollars....	8,000 00
Freight and trucking, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
Penobscot Indians, eight thousand four hundred nineteen dollars and sevnty cents .....	8,419 70
Penobscot Indians, shore rents, two thousand six hundred eighteen dollars .....	2,618 00
Passamaquoddy Indians, eight thousand seventy dollars .....	8,070 00
Soldiers pensions, seventy-five thousand dollars..	75,000 00
Military pensions, three thousand five hundred dollars .....	3,500 00
State library, one thousand dollars .....	1,000 00
Maine state library under resolve, three thousand three hundred dollars .....	3,300 00
Transportation of documents, two thousand dollars .....	2,000 00
Transportation of mail, fifty dollars.....	50 00
State board of health, five thousand dollars.....	5,000 00
Registration of vital statistics, two thousand five hundred dollars .....	2,500 00
Bureau of industrial and labor statistics, three thousand five hundred dollars .....	3,500 00
Maine state agricultural society, one thousand dollars .....	1,000 00
Maine state agricultural society for industrial exhibits, one thousand dollars .....	1,000 00
Eastern Maine state fair, one thousand dollars...	1,000 00
Eastern Maine state fair to encourage pomology, seven hundred fifty dollars.....	750 00
Water for state house, one thousand eight hundred dollars .....	1,800 00
Water for state prison, two thousand five hundred dollars .....	2,500 00
Lights for state prison, four thousand five hundred dollars .....	4,500 00
School in state prison, fifty dollars .....	50 00
Medicine for state prison, one hundred fifty dollars .....	150 00

Books for use of convicts in state prison, fifty dollars .....	50 00
Railroad commissioners, eleven thousand two hundred dollars .....	11,200 00
Property exempt from taxation, two thousand two hundred dollars .....	2,200 00
Bounty on animals, two thousand five hundred dollars .....	2,500 00
Bounty on seals, two thousand five hundred dollars .....	2,500 00
Expenses of Australian ballot, eight thousand five hundred dollars .....	8,500 00
Investigation of railroad accidents, one thousand dollars .....	1,000 00
Temporary home for women and children at Deering, one thousand dollars.....	1,000 00
Bangor children's home, one thousand dollars...	1,000 00
Maine eye and ear infirmary, five thousand dollars .....	5,000 00
Central Maine general hospital, fifteen thousand dollars .....	15,000 00
Saint Elizabeth Roman Catholic orphan asylum, four hundred dollars .....	400 00
Maine general hospital, seven thousand five hundred dollars .....	7,500 00
Women's christian temperance union of Maine, five hundred dollars .....	500 00
Eastern Maine general hospital, five thousand dollars .....	5,000 00
Maine state year book, one thousand four hundred twenty-five dollars .....	1,425 00
Militia fund, thirty-two thousand eight hundred fifty dollars .....	32,850 00
Care of trust deposits, two hundred dollars.....	200 00
Donation for founding free public libraries, five hundred dollars .....	500 00
Free public libraries, two thousand five hundred dollars .....	2,500 00
Fish and game, twenty-five thousand dollars.....	25,000 00
Sea and shore fisheries, fifteen thousand dollars..	15,000 00
Farmington state normal school, ten thousand dollars .....	10,000 00

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Gorham state normal school, thirteen thousand dollars .....	13,000 00
Bridge between Howland and Enfield, five thousand dollars .....	5,000 00
Indexing papers and records in land office, one thousand dollars .....	1,000 00
Madawaska training school, three thousand two hundred fifty dollars .....	3,250 00
Cherryfield Academy, eight hundred dollars....	800 00
East Corinth Academy, two hundred dollars....	200 00
Freedom Academy, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
Leavitt Institute, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
Lee Normal Academy, seven hundred fifty dollars .....	750 00
Monmouth Academy, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
North Yarmouth Academy, three hundred dollars,	300 00
Springfield Normal School, five hundred dollars..	500 00
Westbrook Seminary, two thousand dollars.....	2,000 00
Wilton Academy, eight hundred dollars.....	800 00
Bridge in town of Milbridge, five hundred dollars,	500 00
Roads and bridges in Indian township, seven hundred dollars .....	700 00
Building and maintaining highways, three thousand five hundred dollars.....	3,500 00
Expenses of commissioners for the promotion of uniformity of legislation in the United States, two hundred fifty dollars .....	250 00
State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, twenty thousand dollars .....	20,000 00
Temporary loan, two hundred thousand dollars...	200,000 00
Investigation of the causes of fire, two thousand dollars .....	2,000 00
Hospital of the Society of the Sisters of Charity, one thousand five hundred dollars.....	1,500 00
Maine Industrial School for girls, ten thousand five hundred dollars .....	10,500 00
Williams legacy to Maine Insane Hospital, forty dollars .....	40 00
Repairs on highways and bridges in town of Cutler, five hundred dollars .....	500 00
Little Samaritan Aid Society of Portland, two hundred fifty dollars .....	250 00



Children's Aid Society of Maine, seven hundred fifty dollars .....	750 00
Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum, eight thousand dollars .....	8,000 00
Maine Industrial School for Girls, one thousand dollars .....	1,000 00
Town of Hollis, five hundred dollars .....	500 00
Preservation of Regimental rolls in Adjutant General's Office, two thousand dollars.....	2,000 00
Pennell Institute, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
Potter Academy, three hundred dollars.....	300 00
State Reform School, twenty-two thousand dollars,	22,000 00
State prison physican, two hundred fifty dollars..	250 00
Maine Insane Hospital, fifteen thousand dollars...	15,00 00
Summer training schools and distribution of educational documents, two thousand five hundred dollars .....	2,500 00
Normal schools and training school, four thousand dollars .....	4,000 00
Trustees State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, one thousand dollars.....	1,000 00
Care of Eastern Maine Insane Hospital, one thousand five hundred dollars.....	1,500 00
Assistant librarian, three hundred dollars.....	300 00
Maine state cattle commission, contagious diseases, five thousand dollars .....	5,000 00
Amounting to the sum of one million eight hundred sixteen thousand three hundred fifty-four dollars and seventy cents.....	\$1,816,354 70
Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.	

Approved March 27, 1897.



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**Chapter 133.**

Resolve in favor of the Committee of the Senate appointed to attend the funeral of Ex-Governor Daniel F. Davis.

*Resolved*, That the sum of nineteen dollars and thirty-five cents be paid from the state treasury to A. R. Savage, to defray the expenses of the Senate committee appointed to attend the funeral of Ex-Governor Daniel F. Davis, at Bangor.

A. R. Sav-  
age, in  
favor of.

Approved January 19, 1897.

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**Chapter 134.**

Resolve in favor of the Committee appointed by the House to attend the funeral of Ex-Governor Daniel F. Davis.

*Resolved*, That the state treasurer be authorized to pay Isaiah K. Stetson, the sum of thirty-eight dollars and ninety-three cents, as per itemized bill attached for expenses incurred by House Committee in attending the funeral of Ex-Governor Daniel F. Davis, at Bangor, January thirteen, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

I. K. Stet-  
son, in  
favor of.

Approved January 25, 1897.

**CHAP. 135****Chapter 135.**

Resolve providing for State Pensions for Invalid Soldiers and Sailors, their widows and orphans, and the dependent children, parents and sisters of deceased soldiers and sailors, eligible thereto under existing law.

Pensions  
for soldiers  
and sailors,  
in favor of.

*Resolved*, That the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars be and is hereby appropriated to provide for state pensions for invalid soldiers and sailors, their widows and orphans, and the dependent children, parents and sisters of deceased soldiers and sailors, eligible thereto under existing law, for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, and seventy-five thousand dollars for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

Approved February 2, 1897.

**Chapter 136.**

Resolve in favor of Atienne Lewi, Representative of the Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians.

Atienne  
Lewi, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That the sum of one hundred and twenty dollars be and hereby is appropriated to pay Atienne Lewi, representative of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians, for his travel and attendance at this session of the legislature.

Approved February 8, 1897.

**Chapter 137.**

Resolve in relation to the claim of the State of Maine for indemnity for expenses incurred by it in defence of the United States.

Agents and  
attorney to  
prosecute  
claims of  
United  
States, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That the action of the governor and council in appointing agents and attorneys for and on behalf of the state to prosecute its claim against the government of the United States for reimbursement under the provisions of the act of July twenty-seven, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and sixty-one, chapter twenty-one, volume twelve, Statutes at Large of the United States, entitled, "An Act to indemnify the states for expenses incurred by them in defence of the United States," be and hereby is ratified and confirmed; that the governor and council are hereby authorized and empowered to make a contract with such agents and attorneys for their compensation for services and disbursements in the prosecution of said claim;

and that the governor and council are hereby authorized and empowered to make payment to said agents and attorneys for services and disbursements in accordance with such contract from any moneys recovered by the state from said claim. CHAP. 138

Approved February 9, 1897.

### Chapter 138.

Resolve making appropriation to cover deficiency for cattle killed on account of Tuberculosis, for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-six.

*Resolved*, That the sum of seven thousand two hundred and eighty-seven dollars and thirty-three cents be appropriated to pay outstanding bills incurred by reason of the slaughter of animals infected with tuberculosis, exceeding the appropriations that have been made for that purpose.

Deficiency, appropriation for cattle killed on account of tuberculosis, in favor of.

Approved February 10, 1897.

### Chapter 139.

Resolve for an appropriation for marking the position held by the Third Regiment of Infantry, Maine Volunteers, on the battlefield of Gettysburg.

*Resolved*, That the sum of two hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated for the purpose of erecting a tablet, with suitable inscription thereon, to mark the position held by the third regiment of infantry, Maine volunteers, while in support of the second corps, on the battlefield of Gettysburg, during Longstreet's assault, July third, eighteen hundred and sixty-three.

Third Maine Volunteers, at Gettysburg, to mark position of, in favor of.

Approved February 10, 1897.

### Chapter 140.

Resolve for an appropriation for marking the position held by the Fourth Regiment of Infantry, Maine Volunteers, on the battlefield of Gettysburg.

*Resolved*, That the sum of two hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated for the purpose of erecting a tablet, with suitable inscription thereon, to mark the position held by the fourth regiment of infantry, Maine volunteers, while in support of the second corps on the battlefield of Gettysburg, during Longstreet's assault, July third, eighteen hundred and sixty-three.

Fourth Maine Volunteers at Gettysburg, to mark position of, in favor of.

Approved February 10, 1897.

CHAP. 141**Chapter 141.**

Resolve in favor of Horace Nicola, representative of the Penobscot Tribe of Indians.

Horace  
Nicola, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That the sum of one hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated to pay Horace Nicola, representative of the Penobscot tribe of Indians, for his travel and attendance at this session of the legislature.

Approved February 12, 1897.

**Chapter 142.**

Resolve in favor of committee on Eastern Insane Hospital.

E. B.  
Weeks, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That the sum of two hundred thirteen dollars and fifteen cents be paid from the state treasury to E. B. Weeks, to defray the expense of committee on Eastern Insane Hospital from Augusta to Bangor and return.

Approved February 16, 1897.

**Chapter 143.**

Resolve providing for the payment to the city of Rockland the amount deducted from said city's proportion of the school fund for the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, on account of an imperfect school return.

City of  
Rockland,  
in favor of.

*Resolved*, That there be paid out of the school fund for the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, to the city of Rockland, the sum of four hundred and thirty-three dollars and twenty-seven cents, being the amount deducted from said city's proportion of the school fund for the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, on account of a defect in its school return.

Approved February 16, 1897.



**Chapter 144.**

Resolve in favor of the Training and Normal School at Fort Kent.

*Resolved*, That the sum of six thousand five hundred dollars is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury of the state to Madawaska Training School at Fort Kent, one-half part thereof in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, the other half part in eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

Madawaska  
Training  
School, in  
favor of.

Approved February 16, 1897.

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**Chapter 145.**

Resolve in favor of appropriation for the Maine Women's Christian Temperance Union.

*Resolved*, That a sum of one thousand dollars be appropriated to the Maine Women's Christian Temperance Union, divided as follows; five hundred for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven and the balance for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

Women's  
Christian  
Temper-  
ance Union,  
in favor of.

Approved February 16, 1897.

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**Chapter 146.**

Resolve in favor of the Penobscot Tribe of Indians.

*Resolved*, That ten per cent of the shore rentals of the Penobscot tribe of Indians for the years eighteen hundred and ninety-seven and eighteen hundred and ninety-eight be taken and expended for municipal purposes of said tribe, and that the same be expended in the years eighteen hundred and ninety-seven and eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, under the direction of the Indian agent.

Penobscot  
Indians, in  
favor of.

Approved February 16, 1897.

CHAP. 147**Chapter 147.**

Resolve in favor of the Central Maine General Hospital.

Central  
Maine  
General  
Hospital, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That there be and hereby is appropriated the sum of five thousand dollars to be paid to the Central Maine General Hospital in Lewiston, for the use of said institution for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, and five thousand dollars for the use of said institution for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

*Resolved*, That the further sum of fifteen thousand dollars be and hereby is appropriated to be paid to said Central Maine General Hospital to be used to assist in the completing, furnishing and equipping of the new building now in process of erection by said institution, as follows; five thousand dollars for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, and ten thousand dollars for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

Approved February 18, 1897.

**Chapter 148.**

Resolve in favor of the town of Jefferson.

Town of  
Jefferson, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That there be paid to the town of Jefferson out of the school fund for eighteen hundred ninety-seven, the sum of two hundred forty-eight dollars and fifty cents, on account of an error made in returning the number of scholars from that town for the year eighteen hundred ninety-five.

Approved February 18, 1897.

**Chapter 149.**

Resolve in aid of the Temporary Home for women and children at Deering.

Temporary  
home for  
women and  
children, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That the sum of two thousand dollars be and hereby is appropriated for the use of the temporary home for women and children at Deering; of which one thousand dollars shall be paid during the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven and one thousand dollars during the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

Approved February 18, 1897.

**Chapter 150.**

Resolve in favor of the Maine State Library, for the years eighteen hundred ninety-seven and eighteen hundred ninety-eight.

*Resolved*, That the sum of three thousand three hundred dollars be and is hereby appropriated for the use of the Maine state library for the year eighteen hundred ninety-seven, and that a like sum be and is hereby appropriated for the year eighteen hundred ninety-eight, the same to be expended yearly for the following purposes; for completing American statutes, reports and digests, four hundred seventy-eight dollars and fifty cents. For law text books, one hundred fifty dollars. For cataloguing, three hundred dollars. For typewriting, one hundred dollars. For literary, historical and genealogical works, seven hundred forty-nine dollars. For completing Canadian reports, statutes and digests, four hundred sixty-eight dollars and fifty cents. For completing English reports, digests and statutes, one thousand fifty-four dollars.

State library, in favor of.

Approved February 24, 1897.

**Chapter 151.**

Resolve in favor of the Maine General Hospital.

*Resolved*, That there be and is appropriated the sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars, to be paid to the Maine General Hospital for the use of the said institution for the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, and seven thousand five hundred dollars, to be paid to said institution for its use for the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

Maine General Hospital, in favor of.

Approved February 24, 1897.

**Chapter 152.**

Resolve in favor of the Saint Elizabeth Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum in Portland.

*Resolved*, That the sum of eight hundred dollars be and is hereby appropriated for the use of Saint Elizabeth Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum in Portland, of which four hundred dollars shall be paid during the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven and four hundred dollars during the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

St. Elizabeth Orphan Asylum, in favor of.

Approved February 24, 1897.

CHAP. 153**Chapter 153.**

Resolve in favor of Cyrus Knapp and John A. Rowell, executors of the last will and testament of Abbie B. Downing.

Cyrus  
Knapp and  
J. A. Row-  
ell, in favor  
of.

*Resolved*, That the state treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Cyrus Knapp and John A. Rowell, executors of the last will and testament of Abbie B. Downing, the sum of one hundred and fifty-seven dollars and sixty-four cents, to reimburse them for so much money erroneously collected of them by the state, as a collateral inheritance tax, when none was due.

Approved February 24, 1897.

**Chapter 154.**

Resolve in favor of Town of Linneus.

Town of  
Linneus, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That the sum of one hundred seventy dollars and thirty cents be and is hereby appropriated to be paid to the treasurer of the town of Linneus to reimburse said town for money expended for the support of state paupers during the year eighteen hundred and ninety-one.

Approved February 24, 1897.

**Chapter 155.**

Resolve in favor of the Legislative Committees and members of Senate and House authorized to visit the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.

W. E. Par-  
sons, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That the sum of one hundred dollars be paid from the state treasury to W. E. Parsons, to defray the expense of committee on State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, committee on education, committee on agriculture, committee on military affairs and such members of senate and house as joined, from Augusta to state college at Orono and return.

Approved February 24, 1897.

**Chapter 156.**

Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on Labor.

*Resolved,* That the treasurer of state be directed to pay Frederick M. O'Neil, chairman on the part of the house of the joint standing committee on labor, the sum of one hundred and sixteen dollars and sixty cents, being the amount by him paid for expenses of said committee visiting textile mills at Biddeford, Saco, Waterville and Pittsfield, in accordance with the order of the legislature.

F. M.  
O'Neil, in  
favor of.

Approved February 24, 1897.

**Chapter 157.**

Resolve in favor of Farmington State Normal School.

*Resolved,* That for the completion of the new main school building of the Farmington state normal school, there be and hereby is appropriated the sum of ten thousand dollars for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, and the like sum of ten thousand dollars for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, the said sums to be expended under the direction of the trustees of state normal schools.

Farmington Normal  
school, in  
favor of.

Approved February 24, 1897.

**Chapter 158.**

Resolve in favor of the town of Forest City, to aid in building one-half the Bridge between Maine and New Brunswick, in Forest City.

*Resolved,* That the sum of three hundred dollars be and is hereby appropriated to aid building one half the bridge across the Saint Croix river at Forest City, provided, that American half of said bridge shall be built on the basis of a cost of six hundred dollars; provided further, that the sum of three hundred dollars or more shall be raised by the town of Forest City or otherwise, which together with the amount herein appropriated shall be sufficient to fully complete said bridge within the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven. Said appropriation to be expended under the direction of the governor and council.

Bridge in  
Forest City,  
in favor of.

Approved February 24, 1897.

CHAP. 159**Chapter 159.**

Resolve for payment of back salary of a guard at the State Prison.

Hudson  
French, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That the sum of fifty-nine dollars and sixty-eight cents be and is hereby appropriated to pay the deficiency of salary of Hudson French, a guard at the state prison.

Approved February 24, 1897.

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**Chapter 160.**

Resolve relating to a settling lot in Drew Plantation.

J. F. Bel-  
den, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That the land agent be authorized to convey to Mrs. J. F. Belden of Drew plantation, the tract of land now occupied by her as a homestead farm. The price for said land not to exceed one dollar per acre and the proceeds from such sale to be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the school fund of said Drew plantation, as said tract of land is a part of the reserved lands of said township.

Approved February 24, 1897.

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**Chapter 161.**

Resolve in favor of the Committee on Education.

Committee  
on educa-  
tion, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That the state treasurer be directed to pay to the chairman of said committee, the sum of two hundred and five dollars, the same being the amount paid out for expenses of the committee on its recent visits to the school for the deaf at Portland, the Farmington normal school, Gorham normal school, and the industrial school for girls.

Approved February 24, 1897.

**Chapter 162.**

Resolve in favor of the chairman of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

*Resolved*, That the sum of fifty-eight dollars and fifty-eight cents is hereby appropriated to pay for the expenses of exhibiting the product of the fish hatcheries of the state during this session of the legislature. And the treasurer of the state is directed to pay to N. U. Hinkley, chairman of the committee on inland fisheries and game, the sum of fifty-eight dollars and fifty-eight cents to defray these expenses.

Chairman  
committee  
on fisher-  
ies and  
game, in  
favor of.

Approved February 24, 1897.

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**Chapter 163.**

Resolve to secure the proper enforcement of the Inland Fish and Game Laws, and to aid in the propagation of Inland Fish and Game.

*Resolved*, That the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars is hereby appropriated to be expended by the commissioners of inland fisheries and game, under the direction of the governor and council, for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, and also twenty-five thousand dollars for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, for the purpose of the proper enforcement of the inland fish and game laws, and to aid in the propagation of inland fish and game. Provided, also, that the commissioners of inland fisheries and game may purchase or lease real estate, in the name of the state, for the purpose of maintaining hatcheries for fish culture, and may also assist in maintaining hatcheries for fish culture owned and under the management of fish and game associations; and provided also, that the commissioners shall make a detailed statement in their report of all expenditures of money expended under this resolve.

Appropriation for inland fish and game, in favor of.

Approved February 26, 1897.

CHAP. 164**Chapter 164.**

Resolve relating to the publication of a Map of the State of Maine.

F. W. S.  
Blanchard  
and Com-  
pany, au-  
thorized to  
make map  
of state, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That Fred W. S. Blanchard and Company of Bath, Maine, be and is hereby authorized, under the supervision of the land agent and forestry commissioner to take such data from the plans and maps in the office of the land agent and forestry commissioner for use in the preparation of a state map, as is deemed of value for said purpose; provided, however, that before said map is published it shall be submitted to the land agent and forestry commissioner for his examination and approval; and provided further, that no expense shall be incurred on the part of the state for any data in connection therewith.

Approved February 26, 1887.

**Chapter 165.**

Resolves authorizing a Temporary Loan for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

Tempo-  
rary loan for  
1897, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That to provide for the wants of the treasury, the treasurer of state be, and is hereby authorized to procure on the faith of the state, if he shall deem it necessary, at any time during the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, a temporary loan of three hundred thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be needed.

*Resolved*, That the treasurer of state be, and hereby is authorized to give notes in behalf of the state, payable within two years from the date hereof, for such portions of the loan hereby authorized, as may be required.

Approved March 2, 1887.

**Chapter 166.**

Resolve authorizing a Temporary Loan for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

Tempo-  
rary loan for  
1898, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That to provide for the wants of the treasury, the treasurer of state be, and is hereby authorized to procure on the faith of the state, if he shall deem it necessary, at any time during the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, a temporary loan of three hundred thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be needed.



*Resolved*, That the treasurer of state be, and hereby is authorized to give notes in behalf of the state, payable within three years from the date hereof for such portions of the loan hereby authorized, as may be required.

Approved March 2, 1897.

### Chapter 167.

Resolve in favor of aid in building bridge across Sandy Stream in Lexington Plantation.

*Resolved*, That one hundred and fifty dollars is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury of the state to assist in building a bridge over Sandy stream, so called, in Lexington plantation, and when said bridge is completed to the satisfaction of the county commissioners of Somerset county, and they so return, the governor shall draw his warrant for the above amount to the treasurer of Somerset county.

Bridge, in  
Lexington  
plantation  
in favor of.

Approved March 2, 1897.

### Chapter 168.

Resolve in favor of an appropriation to repair the bridge across Macwahoc Stream, in Macwahoc Plantation, County of Aroostook.

*Resolved*, That the sum of five hundred dollars be and is hereby appropriated to repair the bridge now existing across the Macwahoc stream, in Macwahoc plantation, on the military road from Lincoln to Houlton, and that the same be expended under the direction of the county commissioners of said county of Aroostook.

Bridge, in  
Macwahoc  
plantation,  
in favor of.

Approved March 3, 1897.

**CHAP. 169****Chapter 169.**

**Resolve** for the purchase of the Maine State Year Book and Legislative Manual for the years eighteen hundred and ninety-seven and eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

Maine State  
Year Book,  
purchase of,  
in favor of.

*Resolved*, That the secretary of state be authorized to contract for six hundred and fifty copies of the Maine State Year Book and Legislative Manual for eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, also nine hundred and fifty copies of the same for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight to be delivered on or before the first day of June of each year, at a cost not to exceed one dollar and fifty cents per copy. One hundred and fifty of said copies for each year to be delivered to the state librarian for the use of the state library, the remainder to be distributed in the usual manner.

Approved March 3, 1897.

**Chapter 170.**

**Resolve** in favor of the Gorham State Normal School.

Gorham  
Normal  
School, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That the sum of twenty thousand dollars for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, and the sum of thirteen thousand dollars for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight be, and hereby is appropriated for the completion and furnishing of a boarding house for the Gorham state normal school; for grading the grounds about said boarding house, and for putting in water service giving fire protection to said boarding house and the normal school buildings; said sums to be expended under the direction of the board of trustees of the state normal school.

Approved March 4, 1897.

**Chapter 171.**

**Resolve** for an appropriation for the use of the Commissioner of Sea and Shore Fisheries.

Sea and  
shore fish-  
eries, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That the sum of fifteen thousand dollars be and is hereby appropriated for each of the years eighteen hundred and ninety-seven and eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, to be expended by the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries under the direction of the governor and council.

Approved March 4, 1897.

**Chapter 172.**

Resolve in favor of the Committee on State Prison.

*Resolved*, That the sum of one hundred and sixty-four dollars and thirty cents be paid from the state treasury to G. P. Longley to defray the expenses of the state prison committee in visiting the state prison, February fourth eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

G. P. Longley, in favor of.

Approved March 5, 1897.

**Chapter 173.**

Resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine General Hospital.

*Resolved*, That there be and hereby is appropriated the sum of five thousand dollars, to be paid to the Eastern Maine General Hospital, in Bangor, for use of said institution for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, and five thousand dollars for the use of said institution for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

Eastern Maine General Hospital, in favor of.

Approved March 5, 1897.

**Chapter 174.**

Resolve in favor of the Bangor Children's Home.

*Resolved*, That the sum of one thousand dollars per annum for the years eighteen hundred and ninety-seven and eighteen hundred and ninety-eight be, and is hereby appropriated in aid of the Bangor Children's Home, to be paid by the state treasurer from any funds not otherwise appropriated.

Bangor Children's Home, in favor of.

Approved March 5, 1897.

**Chapter 175.**

Resolve in favor of Lincoln Plantation Number five, Range two, Oxford County.

*Resolved*, That there be and hereby is appropriated the sum of fifteen hundred dollars from the funds in the treasury for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, to be expended under the direction of the county commissioners of Oxford county in building a bridge across the Magalloway river in Lincoln

Lincoln plantation, in favor of.

**CHAP. 176** plantation, on the road location as laid out by the county commissioners at the foot of Aziscohos falls, similar to the one near the Brown farm in Magalloway plantation, provided a sum of money be raised by the plantation, or otherwise, which together with the amount herein appropriated, shall be sufficient to fully complete said bridge within two years from the date of the approval of this resolve without further aid from the state.

Approved March 5, 1897.

### Chapter 176.

Resolve in favor of Simon B. Gates.

Simon B.  
Gates, in  
favor of.

*Resolved,* That the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated to be paid to Simon B. Gates to satisfy his claim against the state for repairs on the Mattawamkeag bridge and pier and approach to same in the town of Mattawamkeag, made by him in eighteen hundred and ninety-five by order of the governor and council.

Approved March 8, 1897.

### Chapter 177.

Resolve in aid of repairing the bridge across the Narraguagus River in the town of Milbridge.

Bridge  
across Nar-  
raguagus  
river, in  
favor of.

*Resolved;* That the sum of five hundred dollars for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, and five hundred dollars for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, be and is hereby appropriated, to aid in repairing a bridge across the Narraguagus river in the town of Milbridge, said bridge to be repaired under the direction of the county commissioners of Washington county, and the amounts herein appropriated are to be paid when the governor and council are satisfied that the sum of two thousand dollars has been actually expended for repairs of said bridge by the town of Milbridge.

Approved March 8, 1897.

**Chapter 178.***Resolve in favor of Maine State Prison.*

*Resolved*, That the sum of seven thousand and thirty-five dollars be, and hereby is appropriated for, and in behalf of the Maine State Prison, to be expended under the direction and supervision of the prison inspectors and warden of the state prison, for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, for the following purposes.

State Prison,  
in favor  
of.

For finishing school room and repairs on prison building, three thousand dollars.

For brick work shop, three hundred and fifty dollars.

For broom house, one hundred and seventy-five dollars.

For harness shop, five hundred dollars.

For chapel, fifty dollars.

For blacksmith shop, three hundred dollars.

For prison yard wall, one thousand dollars.

For gate house, fifty dollars.

For painting repository on Wadsworth street, seventy-five dollars.

For house near prison gate, forty dollars.

For Howard Morton house, one hundred and twenty dollars.

For house south side Main street, two hundred dollars.

For chaplain's house, two hundred dollars.

For engine house, one hundred and seventy-five dollars.

For repository north side Main street, opposite engine house, five hundred dollars.

For deputy warden's house, two hundred dollars.

For stable, one hundred dollars.

Approved March 8, 1897.

**Chapter 179.***Resolve in favor of the Committee on Military Affairs.*

*Resolved*, That the state treasurer be directed to pay to the chairman of the committee on military affairs the sum of twenty-six dollars, being the amount of the expense of said committee incurred in visiting the Bath Naval and Military Orphan Asylum.

Committee  
on military  
affairs, in  
favor of.

Approved March 10, 1897.

CHAP. 180**Chapter 180.**

Resolve authorizing the County of York to procure a loan.

York county, authorized to procure a loan.

*Resolved*, That the treasurer of the county of York is authorized to procure by loan on the faith and responsibility of said county, a sum not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars, exclusive of and in addition to loans authorized by section seventeen of chapter seventy-eight of the revised statutes, for the purpose of funding the floating debt of said county, and the said treasurer is hereby authorized to issue bonds of said county with interest coupons attached, to the amount of such loan; said bonds to bear interest, payable semi-annually, at a rate not exceeding four per centum per annum, the principal to be payable at such times, not later than ten years from the date thereof, as the county commissioners of York county may fix, said bonds to be signed by the treasurer and countersigned by the county commissioners of said county, and said bonds to be of not larger denomination than five hundred dollars each.

Approved March 10, 1897.

**Chapter 181.**

Resolve making appropriations for the Penobscot Tribe of Indians.

Penobscot Indians, in favor of.

*Resolved*, That there be paid from the state treasury to the agent of the Penobscot tribe of Indians for the years of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven and eighteen hundred and ninety-eight to be appropriated for the benefit of said tribe each year as follows: Forty-four hundred and twenty-nine dollars and seventy cents, amount of interest on their trust fund held by the state for the benefit of said tribe; for agricultural purposes, eight hundred dollars each year; for bounty on crops, two hundred dollars each year; for annuity, seventeen hundred dollars each year; for salary of agent, four hundred dollars each year; for instruction in agriculture, one hundred dollars each year; for schools, six hundred dollars each year; for salary of governor, fifty dollars each year; for salary of lieutenant governor, forty dollars each year; for salary of Roman Catholic priest, one hundred dollars each year.

Approved March 10, 1897.

**Chapter 182.**

Resolve in favor of Lucinda Barrows.

*Resolved*, That there be paid out of the state treasury, to Lucinda Barrows, of Oakfield, in the county of Aroostook, a pension of eight dollars per month, beginning January first, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

Lucinda  
Barrows, in  
favor of.

Approved March 10, 1897.

**Chapter 183.**

Resolve in favor of Josiah T. McLellan of Gorham.

*Resolved*, That there be paid the sum of eight dollars per month commencing January first eighteen hundred and ninety-seven as pension to Josiah T. McLellan of Gorham.

J. T. Mc-  
Lellan, in  
favor of.

Approved March 10, 1897.

**Chapter 184.**

Resolve making appropriations for the Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians.

*Resolved*, That there be paid from the state treasury, to be expended under the direction of the governor and council to the agent of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians, for the benefit of said tribe, for the years eighteen hundred and ninety-seven and eighteen hundred and ninety-eight as follows: For May dividend, four hundred dollars each year; for November dividend, four hundred dollars each year; for distressed and contingent poor, three thousand five hundred dollars each year; for contingent purposes, one hundred and fifty dollars each year; for bounty on crops, two hundred dollars each year; for plowing, one hundred and fifty dollars each year; for salary of governor, one hundred dollars each year; for salary of lieutenant governor, forty dollars each year; for wood, six hundred and fifty dollars each year; for dressing of land, one hundred and fifty dollars each year; for educational purposes, eight hundred dollars each year; for salary of priests, two hundred dollars each year; for salary of agent, two hundred dollars each year; for basket ash, three hundred and fifty dollars each year; for agricultural purposes, six hundred dollars each year; for police,

Appropriations for  
Passama-  
quoddy In-  
dians.

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fifty dollars each year; for school books, thirty dollars each year; for repair of roads at Pleasant point, one hundred dollars each year; for repairs of church at Peter Dana's point, one hundred and fifty dollars in eighteen hundred and ninety-seven; for repairs of school house and church at Pleasant point, seventy-five dollars for year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven; for buying land for addition to cemetery at Pleasant point, two hundred and fifty dollars for year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven; four hundred and twenty-eight dollars and one cent to cover amounts overdrawn on last appropriation, to be paid to agent of said tribe in year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven. All the foregoing sums to be expended under the direction of governor and council for the purposes for which they are appropriated, and for none other, and any money not expended for the purposes for which it is appropriated shall not be allowed to said agent in the settlement of his account.

Approved March 10, 1897.

**Chapter 185.**

Resolve in favor of the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary.

Maine Eye  
Ear In-  
firmory, in  
favor of.

*Resolved,* That there be and is hereby appropriated the sum of five thousand dollars to be paid to the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary for the use of said institution for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, and five thousand dollars to be paid to said institution for its use for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

Approved March 10, 1897.

**Chapter 186.**

Resolve in favor of Calais Academy.

Calais Aca-  
demy, in  
favor of.

*Resolved,* That the sum of five hundred dollars be and is hereby appropriated annually for two years to aid Calais academy; provided, however, that this appropriation is made upon the express condition that the trustees of said institution shall maintain and keep in operation for at least twenty-four weeks per year a school equal in rank and grade of teaching, with a first class academy, and that if in the opinion of the governor



and council said institution shall fail to fulfill this condition they may, in their discretion withhold the appropriation herein granted. **CHAP. 187.**

Approved March 11, 1897.

### Chapter 187.

Resolve in favor of Roads in the Indian Township, Washington County.

*Resolved,* The sum of seven hundred dollars be and is hereby appropriated, to repair roads and bridges in the Indian township, Washington county, for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, and seven hundred dollars for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight. Said appropriation to be expended under the direction of the governor and council.

Roads in  
Indian  
township,  
in favor of.

Approved March 11, 1897.

### Chapter 188.

Resolve in favor of George M. Coombs.

*Resolved,* That the sum of four thousand eight hundred and ninety-five dollars be and hereby is appropriated from the state treasury, the same to be paid to George M. Coombs in full settlement for the balance due him for plans and specifications for the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital buildings furnished by him under a contract made by him with the commissioners appointed under a resolve approved March five, eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, authorizing the same.

Geo. M.  
Coombs, in  
favor of.

Approved March 12, 1897.

### Chapter 189.

Resolve to repair the Forks Bridge in The Forks Plantation, Somerset County.

*Resolved,* That there is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury of the state the sum of four hundred dollars for repairing the Forks Bridge, so called, which crosses the Kennebec river in The Forks plantation, in Somerset county; said money to be expended by the county commissioners of Somerset county and paid by the state when said bridge shall have been repaired.

Bridge in  
The Forks  
plantation,  
in  
favor of.

Approved March 12, 1897.

CHAP. 190**Chapter 190.**

Resolve in favor of State Pension Clerk expending money for examination of claims under direction of Governor and Council.

Examina-  
tion of pen-  
sion  
claims, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That the state pension clerk is hereby authorized to expend such sum under the direction of the governor and council, not exceeding three hundred dollars yearly, as may be necessary to properly examine the claims presented to his office, the same to be paid out of the appropriation for state pensions, for years eighteen hundred ninety-seven and eighteen hundred ninety-eight.

Approved March 15, 1897.

**Chapter 191.**

Resolve in favor of Parsonsfield Seminary of Parsonsfield, Maine.

Parsons-  
field Sem-  
inary, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That there be and hereby is appropriated the sum of five hundred dollars annually for the years one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven and one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, to the use of Parsonsfield Seminary of Parsonsfield, Maine. Provided, however, that this appropriation is made upon the express condition that the trustees of said institution shall maintain and keep in operation a school equal in rank and grade of teaching with a first class academy, of not less than three terms of ten weeks each during each year; and provided further, that the governor and council and superintendent of common schools shall have a right at all times to visit said school, when the same shall be in operation; and if in the opinion of the governor and council, said institution at any time hereafter shall fail to fulfill the conditions of this resolve, they may in their discretion withhold the appropriation herein granted.

Approved March 15, 1897.

**Chapter 192.**

Resolve in favor of Bluehill Academy.

Bluehill  
Academy,  
in favor of.

*Resolved*, That the sum of five hundred dollars yearly, for two years, be and hereby is appropriated to Bluehill Academy, an institution of learning located in the town of Bluehill, in the county of Hancock. Provided, however, that this appropriation

is made upon the express condition that the trustees of said institution shall maintain and keep in operation a school equal in rank and grade of teaching with a first class academy, of not less than three terms of ten weeks each during each year; and provided further, that the governor and council and superintendent of common schools shall have a right at all times to visit said school, when the same shall be in operation; and if in the opinion of the governor and council, said institution shall at any time hereafter fail to fulfill the conditions of this resolve, they may in their discretion withhold the appropriation herein granted.

[Approved March 15, 1897.]

### Chapter 193.

Resolve in relation to the documentary history of the State of Maine.

*Resolved*, That the governor and council are hereby authorized and directed to accept five hundred copies of volume five, of the second series of the documentary history of the state of Maine, in place of one thousand volumes as provided in chapter one hundred and seventy-six of the resolves of eighteen hundred and sixty-seven; and that the same be distributed to the free public libraries in the state, and the balance kept for exchange in the state library.

Purchase of  
copies of  
documen-  
tary his-  
tory of  
state, in  
favor of.

Approved March 17, 1897.

### Chapter 194.

Resolve in favor of aid in building a highway bridge across the Mattawamkeag River at Kingman.

*Resolved*, That the sum of five thousand dollars be and hereby is appropriated, from any unexpended moneys in the treasury, to aid in building a highway bridge across the Mattawamkeag river, in the town of Kingman, in the county of Penobscot. Provided, a sum of money be raised by the county, town or otherwise, which, together with the amount herein appropriated, shall be sufficient to fully complete said bridge by the first of June, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, without further aid from the state. Provided also, that the location and erection of said bridge shall be under the supervision of the county commis-

Bridge over  
Matta-  
wamkeag  
river, in  
favor of.

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sioners of Penobscot county and one commissioner to be appointed by the governor and council to serve without pay, and to be built of steel or iron, not less than eighteen feet wide, upon sufficient piers and abutments, upon plans of a competent bridge engineer, to be approved by the governor and council, and that said bridge shall be completed, opened to the public and accepted by the governor and council before the sum herein appropriated shall be paid. Provided further, that said bridge shall be kept in repair at the expense of the town of Kingman.

Approved March 17, 1897.

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**Chapter 195.**

Resolve in favor of East Corinth Academy.

East Cor-  
inth Aca-  
demy, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That the sum of two hundred dollars yearly, for two years be and hereby is appropriated to East Corinth academy, an institution of learning, located in the town of Corinth in the county of Penobscot; provided, however, that the appropriation is made on the express condition that the trustees of said institution shall maintain and keep in operation a school equal in rank and grade of teaching with a first class academy.

Approved March 17, 1897.

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**Chapter 196.**

Resolve in favor of North Yarmouth Academy.

North Yar-  
mouth  
Academy, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That the sum of three hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated annually, for two years to aid North Yarmouth academy; provided, however, that this appropriation is made upon conditions that the trustees of the institution maintain during at least twenty weeks per year during the continuance of this appropriation, a school equal in grade with a first class academy; and provided further, that the governor and council and superintendent of common schools shall have at all times the right to visit said school and to withhold said appropriation when in their judgment, said conditions are not fulfilled.

Approved March 17, 1897.

**Chapter 197.**

Resolve in favor of Wilton Academy.

*Resolved*, That the sum of eight hundred dollars is hereby annually appropriated for the term of two years to Wilton academy, an institution of learning in the town of Wilton, in the county of Franklin; provided, however, that the appropriation is made on the express condition that the trustees of said institution shall maintain and keep in operation a school equal in rank and grade of teaching with a first class academy; and provided further, that the governor and council, and superintendent of common schools shall have a right at all times to visit said school when the same shall be in operation; and if, in the opinion of the governor and council, said institution at any time hereafter shall fail to fulfill the conditions contained in this resolve, they may in their discretion, withhold the appropriation herein granted.

Wilton Academy, in favor of.

Approved March 17, 1897.

**Chapter 198.**

Resolve in favor of Lee Normal Academy.

*Resolved*, That the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars is hereby annually appropriated out of the school fund, for the term of two years, to Lee Normal academy, an institution of learning, located in the town of Lee, in the county of Penobscot; provided, however, that this appropriation is made on the express conditions that the trustees of said institution shall maintain and keep in operation a school equal in rank and grade of teaching with a first class academy, and in which shall be given special and systematic instruction in the science and art of teaching; that no part of this appropriation shall be devoted to other purposes than the payment of instructors in said institution; that the superintendent of common schools shall be, ex-officio, a member of the board of directors thereof; and that, if in the opinion of the governor and council, said institution at any time hereafter, shall fail to fulfill the conditions contained in this resolve, they may, in their discretion, withhold the appropriation herein granted.

Lee Normal Academy, in favor of.

Approved March 17, 1897.

CHAP. 199**Chapter 199.**

Resolve in favor of Cherryfield Academy.

Cherryfield  
Academy,  
in favor of.

*Resolved*, That the sum of eight hundred dollars be, and is hereby appropriated, annually, for the term of two years, to aid Cherryfield academy; provided, however, that this appropriation is made upon the express condition that the trustees of said institution shall maintain and keep in operation for at least twenty-four weeks per year, a school equal in rank and grade of teaching with a first class academy; and that if in the opinion of the governor and council, said institution shall fail to fulfill this condition they may, in their discretion, withhold the appropriation herein granted.

Approved March 17, 1897.

**Chapter 200.**

Resolve in favor of Leavitt Institute.

Leavitt In-  
stitute, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That the sum of five hundred dollars per year for a period of two years, be and hereby is appropriated, to be paid to the trustees of Leavitt institute of Turner, for educational purposes.

Approved March 17, 1897.

**Chapter 201.**

Resolve in favor of Westbrook Seminary.

Westbrook  
Seminary,  
in favor of.

*Resolved*, That there be and hereby is appropriated to be paid Westbrook seminary for the use and benefit of that institution, for each of the years eighteen hundred and ninety-seven and eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, the sum of two thousand dollars.

[Approved March] 17, 1897.

### Chapter 202.

Resolve in favor of Springfield Normal School.

*Resolved*, That the sum of five hundred dollars is hereby annually appropriated for the term of two years to Springfield Normal school, an institution of learning, located in the town of Springfield, in the county of Penobscot; provided, however, that this appropriation is made upon the express condition that the superintendent of common schools shall have the right, at all times, to visit said school, when the same shall be in operation, and provided further, that the director of said institution shall make a report, annually, to the superintendent of common schools, setting forth the course of study, the number of students attending the institution and any other facts which the said superintendent may deem necessary, and the said superintendent may at his discretion, order said appropriation withheld.

Springfield  
Normal  
School, in  
favor of.

Approved March 17, 1897.

### Chapter 203.

Resolve in favor of Castine State Normal School.

*Resolved*, That there be appropriated for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven the sum of seven thousand three hundred dollars, for repairs on the normal school building in Castine and for additional furnishings for same, the same to be expended under the direction of the trustees of the normal schools.

Castine  
Normal  
School, in  
favor of.

Approved March 17, 1897.

### Chapter 204.

Resolve in favor of Monmouth Academy.

*Resolved*, That the sum of five hundred dollars yearly for two years, be and hereby is appropriated to Monmouth academy, an institution of learning, located in the town of Monmouth, in the county of Kennebec; provided, however, that this appropriation is made upon the express condition that the trustees of said institution shall maintain and keep in operation a school equal

Monmouth  
Academy,  
in favor of.

**CHAP. 205** in rank and grade of teaching with a first class academy, of not less than three terms of ten weeks each during each year; and provided further, that the governor and council and superintendent of common schools shall have a right at all times to visit said school when the same shall be in operation; and if in the opinion of the governor and council said institution shall at any time hereafter fail to fulfill the condition of this resolve, they may in their discretion, withhold the appropriation herein granted.

Approved March 17, 1887.

### Chapter 205.

Resolve in favor of the Town of Brunswick.

Town of  
Brunswick, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That the state treasurer be and is hereby authorized and directed to pay to the town of Brunswick, one thousand nine hundred eighty-one dollars and fifty-eight cents, it being to refund to said town the amount paid by it for the support of state paupers at the insane hospital, the same to be paid when said claim shall be allowed by the governor and council.

Approved March 17, 1887.

### Chapter 206.

Resolve in favor of the City of Calais.

City of Calais, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That the sum of eleven hundred and eighty-five dollars and twenty-five cents be and is hereby appropriated for the purpose of paying to the city of Calais, the amount due to it from railroad taxes in the years eighteen hundred and ninety-four, eighteen hundred and ninety-five and eighteen hundred and ninety-six on the stock owned by Mrs. Mary H. Pike of Calais, whose residence was erroneously recorded.

Approved March 17, 1887.



**Chapter 207.**

Resolve in favor of a road in Dallas Plantation.

*Resolved*, That the sum of one hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated out of any money in the treasury of the state for repairing and maintaining the road in Dallas plantation, between Rangeley and Dead river station in Franklin county, the same to be expended under the direction of the county commissioners of said county in the years eighteen hundred and ninety-seven and eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

Road in  
Dallas, in  
favor of.

Approved March 17, 1897.

**Chapter 208.**

Resolve in favor of an appropriation to repair the bridge now existing across the Molunkus Stream in Macwahoc Plantation, County of Aroostook.

*Resolved*, That the sum of five hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated, to repair the bridge now existing across the Molunkus stream, in Macwahoc plantation, on the military road from Lincoln to Houlton, and that the same be expended under the direction of the county commissioners of said county of Aroostook.

Bridge over  
Molunkus  
stream, in  
favor of.

Approved March 17, 1897.

**Chapter 209.**

Resolve in aid of Wiscasset Bridge.

*Resolved*, That there be and hereby is appropriated from the funds of the state, to be paid out of any money in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars, to be expended under the direction of the county commissioners of the county of Lincoln, for the repair of the Wiscasset bridge, between the towns of Wiscasset and Edgecomb, in the county of Lincoln, upon vouchers to be examined and approved by said county commissioners, and audited by the governor and council. Provided, that no part of the money hereby appropriated shall be applied directly or indirectly to the payment of any indebtedness of the proprietors of said bridge or of any dividend on its capital stock, or for the ordinary care and superintendence of said bridge. Provided

Wiscasset  
Bridge, in  
favor of.

**CHAP. 210** further, that no dividend or distribution of the earnings or income of said corporation shall be declared or paid directly or indirectly to the proprietors of said bridge until all sums of money expended under this appropriation shall have been repaid by said proprietors to the state.

Approved March 18, 1897.

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### Chapter 210.

Resolve in favor of a road in Jerusalem Plantation.

Road in  
Jerusalem  
Plantation,  
in favor of.

*Resolved*, That the sum of one hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated out of any money in the treasury of the state, for repairing and maintaining the road from Drew's mills in Jerusalem plantation in Franklin county to the main road in Dead River plantation in Somerset county, the same to be expended under the direction of the county commissioners of Franklin county, in the years eighteen hundred and ninety-seven and eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

Approved March 20, 1897.

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### Chapter 211.

Resolve in aid of building a bridge across Mattawamkeag River in the town of Haynesville, County of Aroostook.

Bridge  
across  
Matta-  
wamkeag  
river, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That the sum of two thousand dollars be and hereby is appropriated to aid in building a bridge across Mattawamkeag river in the town of Haynesville, in the county of Aroostook, said sum to be expended by the county commissioners of Aroostook county.

Approved March 20, 1897.

### Chapter 212.

Resolve in favor of the Committee on State Reform School.

*Resolved*, That the state treasurer be directed to pay to M. Hubbard Ferguson, chairman of said committee, the sum of ninety-two dollars and twenty cents, the same being the amount paid out for expenses of the committee on its recent visit to that institution.

Committee  
on reform  
school, in  
favor of.

Approved March 20, 1897.

### Chapter 213.

Resolve in favor of making necessary repairs in the Senate Chamber of the State Capitol.

*Resolved*, That the sum of thirty-five hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated for the purpose of recovering the roof over the north wing of the state capitol, removing the ceiling in the senate chamber, which has become loosened and cracked in such a manner as to necessitate its displacement, and to replaster, paint and decorate the ceiling and walls, prior to the assembling of the next legislature. The appropriation to be expended by the superintendent of public buildings under the direction of the governor and council.

Senate  
chamber,  
repair of, in  
favor of.

Approved March 20, 1897.

### Chapter 214.

Resolve in favor of the town of Peru.

*Resolved*, That the state treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to pay to the town of Peru, two hundred seventy-one dollars and sixty-two cents, it being an abatement, in part, for taxes assessed by the state against the town of Peru for the years eighteen hundred and ninety-five and eighteen hundred and ninety-six.

Town of  
Peru, in  
favor of.

Approved March 20, 1897.

**CHAP. 215****Chapter 215.**

**Resolves in favor of the Trustees of the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.**

College of  
Agriculture and  
Mechanic  
Arts, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That, in order to defray the current expenses of the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, there be appropriated to the trustees of said college, for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven and for each year thereafter, for the term of ten years, the sum of twenty thousand dollars.

*Resolved*, That the said trustees are hereby directed to charge all students a reasonable tuition, but they may abate said tuition to such worthy pupils, resident in the state, as may be financially unable to pay the same.

Approved March 20, 1897.

**Chapter 216.**

**Resolve in favor of the executors of the will of Cyrus Cole.**

Executors  
of will of  
Cyrus Cole,  
in favor of.

*Resolved*, That the state treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to Edward C. Reynolds and Charles M. Cole, executors of the last will and testament of Cyrus Cole, late of Cape Elizabeth, in the county of Cumberland, the sum of two hundred ninety-seven dollars and eighty cents, to reimburse them for so much money erroneously collected from them by the state, as collateral inheritance tax.

Approved March 20, 1897.

**Chapter 217.**

**Resolve in favor of building a bridge over the Daigle Brook in the Town of Van Buren and County of Aroostook.**

Bridge in  
Van Buren,  
in favor of.

*Resolved*, That the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars be and is hereby appropriated for the purpose of building a bridge over a gully, to be known as the Daigle bridge in the town of Van Buren and county of Aroostook; the money to be paid said town when said bridge is completed and its construction approved by the commissioners of Aroostook county.

Approved March 23, 1897.

**Chapter 218.**

**Resolve in favor of the Town of Cutler for repairs on Highways and Bridges.**

*Resolved*, That the sum of five hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated from any unappropriated moneys in the state treasury for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven and five hundred dollars for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, for repairs of highways and bridges in the town of Cutler in the county of Washington, and further that said appropriations be laid out under the direction of county commissioners of Washington county.

Town of  
Cutler, in  
favor of.

Approved March 23, 1897.

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**Chapter 219.**

**Resolve in favor of Freedom Academy.**

*Resolved*, That there be and is hereby appropriated the sum of five hundred dollars per year, for the years one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven and one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, to be paid to the trustees of Freedom academy, an institution of learning situated in Freedom, in the county of Waldo, for the use of said academy. Provided, however, that the appropriation is made on the express condition that the trustees of said institution shall maintain and keep in operation a school equal in rank and grade of teaching with a first class academy; and provided further, that the governor and council and superintendent of schools shall have the right at all times to visit said school when the same shall be in operation; and if in the opinion of the governor and council said institution at any time hereafter shall fail to fulfill the conditions contained in the resolve, they may in their discretion, withhold the appropriation herein granted.

Freedom  
Academy,  
in favor of.

Approved March 23, 1897.

CHAP. 220**Chapter 220.**

Resolve accepting the legacy to the State of Maine by the will of Joseph H. Williams of Augusta, for the benefit of the Maine Insane Hospital.

Legacy of  
J. H. Wil-  
liams, to  
Insane  
Hospital, in  
favor of ac-  
ceptance.  
of.

*Resolved*, That the legacy and bequest to the state of Maine as made by the sixth item of the will of the late Joseph H. Williams of Augusta, for the benefit of the Maine Insane Hospital, in the terms following, 'Sixth: I give and bequeath to the state of Maine, one thousand dollars in trust, and upon the condition following: That a sum of money, not less than forty dollars, shall be appropriated from time to time, by the state legislature and paid annually to the trustees of the Maine Insane Hospital located in Augusta aforesaid; to be expended from time to time in the purchase of articles of art or use for the diversion of patients in said hospital,' be and the same is hereby gratefully accepted upon the conditions specified in said will; and that the secretary of state file with Hophni Judd and Lendall Titcomb, executors of said will, notice of this acceptance by the legislature.

Approved March 23, 1897.

**Chapter 221.**

Resolve in favor of Maine Industrial School for Girls.

Industrial  
school, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That there be and is hereby appropriated from the funds in the state treasury, the sum of seven thousand dollars for the use of the Maine industrial school for girls at Hallowell, to meet the current expenses for the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, and ten thousand five hundred dollars to meet the current expenses for the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight. Provided the trustees of said school shall have erected a new school building and have said school in operation at the commencement of school year, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight. Otherwise the sum of seven thousand dollars shall be appropriated for the use of said school for each of the years eighteen hundred and ninety-seven and eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

Approved March 23, 1897.

**Chapter 222.**

Resolve in favor of the Hospital of the Society of the Sisters of Charity of  
Lewiston, Maine.

*Resolved*, That there be and hereby is appropriated the sum of fifteen hundred dollars to be paid to the society of the Sisters of Charity of Lewiston, Maine, for the use of the hospital of said society for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven; and the sum of fifteen hundred dollars for the use of said institution for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

Sister of  
Charity  
Hospital, in  
favor of.

Approved March 23, 1897.

**Chapter 223.**

Resolve in favor of the Portland School for the Deaf.

*Resolved*, That the sum of five thousand dollars be and hereby is appropriated, for the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, in aid of the Portland school for the deaf, as follows; the sum of three thousand two hundred and seventy-three dollars for furniture and furnishings for the dormitory of said school; the sum of one thousand seven hundred and twenty-seven dollars for cost of ventilation, painting, grading, fencing, insurance, fire escapes and other necessary expenses. The said sums to be expended under the direction of the governor and council.

Portland  
school for  
deaf, in  
favor of.

Approved March 23, 1897.

**Chapter 224.**

Resolve in favor of the Town of York.

*Resolved*, That there be paid out of the school fund, to the town of York, the sum of one hundred seventy dollars and ten cents, being the amount deducted from the said town's proportion of the school fund for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-six on account of a defect in the school return.

Town of  
York, in  
favor of.

Approved March 23, 1897.

CHAP. 225**Chapter 225.**

Resolve that the Land Agent be empowered and directed to convey Settlers Lots in Wallagrass Plantation.

Settlers in  
Walla-  
grass, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That the land agent is hereby empowered and directed to release all the right, title and interest that the state of Maine may have in and to the following named lots of land in Wallagrass plantation, formerly known as township number seventeen, range seven, west of the east line of the state, numbers two, three, four, ten, thirteen, fifteen, seventeen, twenty-one, twenty-two, twenty-four, twenty-six, twenty-seven, thirty, thirty-one, thirty-four, thirty-five, thirty-eight, forty-seven, forty-eight and forty-nine, to the several persons legally entitled to the improvements and occupation of said lots, either as original settlers or lawful claimants under the original settlers thereof. And said land agent is directed to determine what persons are entitled to the benefits of this resolve, and to give deeds of conveyance to the same on behalf of the state. Said land agent is authorized, at the expense of the state, to make such personal investigation as may be necessary to determine what persons are entitled to conveyances.

Approved March 23, 1897.

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**Chapter 226.**

Resolve in favor of an appropriation to aid in erecting a High School Building in the Town of Frenchville in the County of Aroostook.

High school  
building in  
French-  
ville, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That the sum of five hundred dollars be and is hereby appropriated for the purpose of aiding in building a high school building in the town of Frenchville in the county of Aroostook, provided said town raise and expend in construction of said building, one thousand dollars, the same to be expended under the direction of state superintendent of schools.

Approved March 24, 1897.



**Chapter 227.**

Resolves in favor of the City of Calais.

*Resolved,* That the treasurer of state be authorized to pay the city of Calais the sum of one thousand four hundred three dollars and sixty-six cents, the same being equitably due said city in the distribution of the railroad tax for the years eighteen hundred and ninety-four, eighteen hundred and ninety-five and eighteen hundred and ninety-six.

City of  
Calais, in  
favor of.

*Resolved,* That the treasurer of state be instructed to deduct the sum of two hundred eighteen dollars and forty-one cents from the amount of railroad tax to be apportioned for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, on account of stock owned in the Maine Central railroad and leased lines.

Resolve in favor of the city of Calais, approved March seventeen, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, is hereby repealed.

Approved March 25, 1897.

**Chapter 228.**

Resolve in aid of the Little Samaritan Aid Society of Portland, Maine.

*Resolved,* That there be appropriated for the use of the Little Samaritan Aid Society of Portland, Maine, the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven and a like sum of two hundred and fifty dollars for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

Little  
Samaritan  
Aid Society,  
in favor of.

Approved March 25, 1897.

**Chapter 229.**

Resolve in favor of Breakwater at Mattawamkeag Bridge.

*Resolved,* That the sum of three hundred dollars be and is hereby appropriated to aid in repairing breakwater to protect the state bridge in town of Mattawamkeag, said breakwater to be repaired under the direction of the county commissioners of Penobscot county and the amount herein appropriated is to be paid when the governor and council are satisfied that the sum of three hundred dollars has been expended for repairs on said breakwater by the county commissioners of Penobscot county.

Break-  
water at  
Matta-  
wamkeag  
bridge, in  
favor of.

Approved March 25, 1897.

CHAP. 230**Chapter 230.**

Resolve in favor of Children's Aid Society of Maine.

Children's  
Aid Society,  
in favor of.

*Resolved*, That the sum of fifteen hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated from the treasury of the state of Maine to the Children's Aid Society of Maine for the purpose of aiding and enlarging its work at the girls' home located at Belfast, said sum to be expended under the direction of the executive committee of said society. Seven hundred fifty dollars of the above appropriation to be paid to the treasurer of said society in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, and seven hundred fifty in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight. Also that the further sum of five hundred dollars be appropriated from the treasury of the state of Maine for repairs on the buildings of girls' home located at Belfast, and held in trust for the state by the Children's Aid Society of Maine. Said sum to be expended under the direction of the executive committee of said society.

Approved March 25, 1897.

**Chapter 231.**

Resolve in favor of the town of Topsfield.

Town of  
Topsfield, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That there be paid to the town of Topsfield the sum of twenty-one dollars and eighty-seven cents, out of the common school fund of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, on account of an error made in returning the number of scholars from that town for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-six.

Approved March 25, 1897.

**Chapter 232.**

Resolves in aid of the Maine Gettysburg Commission.

Maine  
Gettysburg  
Commis-  
sion, in aid  
of.

*Resolved*, That the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars be and is hereby appropriated to be expended in completing the work of the Maine Gettysburg Commission. The bills for which when audited and approved by the governor and council, the state treasurer is directed to pay. The said sum is to be expended as follows; four hundred dollars for incidental

expenses of executive committee to close up the business of preparing and publishing the report of the commission. Three hundred and fifty dollars towards one thousand extra copies of said report. CHAP. 233

*Resolved*, That the reports of the Maine Gettysburg Commissioners provided in this resolve shall be distributed as follows; two thousand copies to the said commission, balance to be placed in charge of the state librarian to be distributed to the members of the legislature, exchange with libraries and other public institutions.

Approved March 25, 1897.

### Chapter 233.

Resolve in favor of the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum.

*Resolved*, That there be and hereby is appropriated for the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum, the sum of eight thousand dollars for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven and eight thousand dollars for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and also five hundred dollars for repairs for the years eighteen hundred and ninety-seven and eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

Bath  
Military  
and Naval  
Orphan  
Asylum, in  
favor of.

Approved March 25, 1897.

### Chapter 234.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls.

*Resolved*, That there be and is hereby appropriated from the funds in the state treasury, the sum of one thousand dollars for the use of the Maine industrial school for girls, at Hallowell; provided the proposed new school building has been erected and completed.

Industrial  
school, in  
favor of.

Approved March 25, 1897.

CHAP. 235**Chapter 235.**

Resolve in favor of Heirs of John Robertson.

Heirs of  
John Rob-  
ertson, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That the governor and council be authorized to draw their warrant on the treasury for the sum of two hundred and seventy-two dollars and eighty-nine cents, in favor of the heirs of John Robertson, late of Weld, being for so much money paid into the state treasury by the administrator of the estate of Alice Robertson, in default of legal heirs of said Alice Robertson, provided that before such warrant is drawn, the heirs of John Robertson shall give a satisfactory bond to the treasury of state, conditioned for the repayment of said sum to the state, if any heir of said Alice Robertson may demand the same.

Approved March 25, 1897.

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**Chapter 236.**

Resolve in favor of an appropriation for the town of Hollis.

Town of  
Hollis, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That the sum of two thousand dollars be paid to the town of Hollis for aid asked by the selectmen of said town, and the same be divided as follows; five hundred dollars for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, five hundred dollars for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, five hundred dollars for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, and five hundred dollars for the year nineteen hundred; said sums to be applied toward the repairs upon the bridges across Saco river, and the approaches thereto.

Approved March 25, 1897.

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**Chapter 237.**

Resolve in favor of granting aid in repairing and maintaining Babbitt Ridge road in town of Moscow.

Road in  
Moscow, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That one hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated to aid in repairing and maintaining Babbitt ridge road in town of Moscow, to be expended under supervision of selectmen of Moscow.

Approved March 25, 1897.

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**Chapter 238.**

Resolves providing for the preservation of Regimental Rolls in the Adjutant General's Office.

*Resolved*, That the adjutant general is hereby authorized and directed under the advice and control of the governor and council to provide for the preservation of the enlistment, descriptive and muster rolls, and the monthly returns of the regiments and batteries in the war of the rebellion, now on file in the adjutant general's office.

Preservation of  
regimental  
rolls, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That the sum of two thousand dollars for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, and two thousand dollars for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight is hereby appropriated for the preservation of said rolls.

Approved March 25, 1897.

**Chapter 239.**

Resolve in favor of Pennell Institute.

*Resolved*, That the sum of five hundred dollars for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven and the like sum of five hundred dollars for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, be and hereby is appropriated toward the payment of the general expenses of the institute under the direction of its board of trustees.

Pennell In-  
stitute, in  
favor of.

Approved March 25, 1897.

**Chapter 240.**

Resolve in favor of the State Reform School.

*Resolved*, That the sum of fifty thousand five hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated, for and in behalf of the state reform school for the years, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven and eighteen hundred and ninety-eight for the following purposes; for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, for current expenses including mechanical school and Farrington cottage, nineteen thousand dollars; to complete and furnish new cottage, eight thousand five hundred dollars; ordinary repairs,

Reform  
school, in  
favor of.

**CHAP. 241** one thousand dollars. For the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, for current expenses including mechanical school and Farrington cottage, twenty thousand dollars; for ordinary repairs, two thousand dollars.

Approved March 25, 1897.

### Chapter 241.

Resolve relating to the Maine Gettysburg Commission.

Maine  
Gettys-  
burg Com-  
mission, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That the sums appropriated for erecting tablets to mark the positions held by the third and fourth regiments of infantry, Maine volunteers, on the battlefield of Gettysburg, be expended for such purpose by the Maine Gettysburg Commission under the direction of governor and council.

Approved March 25, 1897.

### Chapter 242.

Resolve in favor of Olaf H. Nilson.

O. H. Nil-  
son, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That the land agent be and hereby is empowered and directed to convey lot number seventy-seven in New Sweden in the county of Aroostook, to Olaf H. Nilson, the holder of certificate of said lot issued pursuant to the act to promote immigration and to facilitate the settlement of the public land approved February twenty-four, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, waiving further settling duties.

Approved March 25, 1897.

### Chapter 243.

Resolve providing for uniforms, camp and garrison equipage for Company M First Regiment, National Guard State Militia, and Company M, Second Regiment, National Guard State Militia.

Company  
M, 1st  
and 2nd  
Regiments,  
in favor of.

*Resolved*, That the sum of four thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars is hereby appropriated, to be expended by the adjutant general under the direction of the governor and council, for the purchase of uniforms and camp and garrison equipage, and for building mess houses and cook houses on the

camp ground, for company M, first regiment of the national guard of the state of Maine, stationed at Westbrook, and company M, second regiment of the national guard of the state of Maine, stationed at Machias.

CHAP. 244

Approved March 25, 1897.

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**Chapter 244.**

Resolve for the purpose of repairing the church of the Penobscot Tribe of Indians.

*Resolved*, That the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars be and is hereby appropriated for the purpose of repairing the church of the Penobscot tribe of Indians, situated on Indian island in the town of Old Town. Said appropriation to be expended under the direction of the agent of said Penobscot tribe.

Church of  
Penobscot  
Indians, in  
favor of.

Approved March 25, 1897.

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**Chapter 245.**

Resolve in aid of building a Bridge over Dickey Brook in Frenchville in the County of Aroostook.

*Resolved*, That the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury of the state to assist the town of Frenchville in building a bridge over Dickey brook in said town, the money to be paid said town, when said bridge is finished to the satisfaction of the county commissioners of Aroostook county.

Bridge in  
French-  
ville, in  
favor of.

Approved March 25, 1897.

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**Chapter 246.**

Resolve in favor of Potter Academy of Sebago.

*Resolved*, That the sum of three hundred dollars is hereby annually appropriated for the term of two years to Potter academy, an institution of learning in Sebago, county of Cumberland. Provided, however, that the appropriation is made upon the express condition that the trustees of said institution shall

Potter  
Academy,  
in favor of.

**CHAP. 247** maintain and keep in operation a school equal in rank and grade of teaching with a first class academy of not less than three terms of ten weeks each during each year; and provided further, that the governor and council and superintendent of common schools shall have a right at all times to visit said school when the same shall be in operation, and if in the opinion of the governor and council, said institution, at any time hereafter shall fail to fulfill the conditions of this resolve, they may in their discretion withhold the appropriation herein granted.

Approved March 25, 1897.

### Chapter 247.

Resolve providing for the expenses of the Governor and Staff while attending the ceremonies relating to the formal transfer of the Grant Monument to the City of New York.

Governor  
and staff, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That the sum of fifteen hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated, the same, or so much thereof as may be needed, to be used in defraying the expenses of the governor and his military staff while attending the ceremonies relating to the formal transfer of the Grant monument to the city of New York by the Grant Monument Association, in the city of New York, April twenty-seven, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

Approved March 25, 1897.

### Chapter 248.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Insane Hospital.

Insane Hos-  
pital, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That the sum of fifteen thousand dollars be and hereby is appropriated, for and in behalf of the Maine Insane Hospital for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven; and fifteen thousand dollars is hereby appropriated for said hospital for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight; the said appropriations to be used for the following purposes. For new boiler building, sixteen thousand dollars; for new boilers, five thousand dollars; for coal pocket, nine thousand dollars.

Approved March 26, 1897.



**Chapter 249.**

Resolve to provide for the extinguishment of the claim of Don H. Powers and A. G. Sirois, M. D., against the state for services rendered in connection with the shooting of Game Warden E. O. Collins by Charles Morris.

*Resolved*, That the sum of two hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated to extinguish the claim of Don H. Powers against the state for services rendered in the prosecution of Charles Morris at Houlton supreme judicial court, and the sum of one hundred fifty dollars to extinguish the claim of A. G. Sirois, M. D., of Fort Kent, for attending E. O. Collins when he was shot by Charles Morris.

D. H.  
Powers and  
A. G. Sirois,  
in favor of.

Approved March 26, 1897.

**Chapter 250.**

Resolve in favor of purchase and distribution of Photographic Views.

*Resolved*, That the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars be appropriated, to be expended under the direction of the governor and council in the purchase and distribution of photographic views of Maine summer resorts, scenery and game.

Purchase of  
views in  
Maine, in  
favor of.

Approved March 26, 1897.

**Chapter 251.**

Resolve in favor of summer training school for teachers and the distribution of educational documents.

*Resolved*, That there be appropriated from the state school fund for each of the years eighteen hundred ninety-seven and eighteen hundred ninety-eight, the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars to defray the expenses of holding at least four summer training schools for teachers and for the purpose of preparing and distributing among the teachers of the common schools and school officers of this state, outlines, suggestions and directions concerning the managements, discipline and methods employed in teaching, for the purpose of promoting improved systems of instruction; said schools to be conducted by and said documents to be prepared and distributed under the direction of the state superintendent. The governor and council are hereby authorized to draw their warrants from time to time, for the expenditure of said sum, upon the presentation of bills properly avouched by said superintendent.

Training  
school of  
teachers, in  
favor of.

Approved March 26, 1897.

CHAP. 252**Chapter 252.**

Resolve in favor of Frank E. Southard.

**F. E.  
Southard,  
in favor of.**

*Resolved*, That there be and hereby is appropriated the sum of two hundred dollars to be paid to Frank E. Southard in full for his services in collecting and compiling the insurance laws of Maine, making marginal references and index, including expenses at Augusta reading and revising proof of same. The above resolve is in compliance with chapter thirty-two, resolves of eighteen hundred and ninety-five.

Approved March 26, 1897.

**Chapter 253.**

Resolve to enable the state librarian to complete additional sets of the York Deeds.

**York deeds,  
in favor of  
purchase of.**

*Resolved*, That the state librarian be authorized to purchase of the publishers, twenty copies each of volumes two, three, four and five of York Deeds at a price not exceeding five dollars per copy for the purpose of completing sets.

Approved March 26, 1897.

**Chapter 254.**

Resolve requesting the senators and representatives in congress from Maine to exert their influence to secure an appropriation for a dry dock at some port on the coast of Maine.

**Dry dock  
in Maine, in  
favor of.**

*Resolved*, That the senators and members of the house of representatives in the national congress from this state, be, and are hereby requested to exert their influence to secure an appropriation in congress for the construction of a dry dock at some port on the coast of Maine, suitable to dock any of the iron ships and cruisers of the United States navy; and that the secretary of state be directed to forward, as soon as may be, one copy of this resolution to each member of congress from this state.

Approved March 26, 1897.

**Chapter 255.**

**Resolve** laying a tax on counties of the state for the years eighteen hundred and ninety-seven and eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

*Resolved*, That the sum annexed to the counties in the following schedule is hereby granted as a tax on each county respectively, to be appropriated, assessed, collected and applied to the purposes of paying the debts and necessary expenses of the same, and for other purposes ordered by law; for the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, Androscoggin, forty thousand dollars; Aroostook, sixty thousand dollars; Cumberland, ninety thousand dollars; Franklin, twelve thousand nine hundred dollars; Hancock, twenty-one thousand dollars; Kennebec, thirty-five thousand six hundred forty-one dollars and fifty-eight cents; Knox, twenty-five thousand dollars; Lincoln, nine thousand eight hundred seventy-five dollars; Oxford, twenty-two thousand one hundred dollars; Penobscot, forty thousand dollars; Piscataquis, ten thousand dollars; Sagadahoc, fifteen thousand dollars; Somerset, sixteen thousand dollars; Waldo, seventeen thousand five hundred dollars; Washington, thirty thousand dollars; York, thirty-five thousand dollars; and for the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, Androscoggin, forty thousand dollars; Aroostook, sixty thousand dollars; Cumberland, ninety thousand dollars; Franklin, twelve thousand nine hundred dollars; Hancock, twenty-one thousand dollars; Kennebec, thirty-five thousand six hundred forty-one dollars and fifty-eight cents; Knox, twenty-five thousand dollars; Lincoln, nine thousand eight hundred seventy-five dollars; Oxford, twenty-two thousand one hundred dollars; Penobscot, forty thousand dollars; Piscataquis, ten thousand dollars; Sagadahoc, thirteen thousand dollars; Somerset, sixteen thousand dollars; Waldo, seventeen thousand five hundred dollars; Washington, forty thousand dollars; York, thirty-five thousand dollars.

**Tax on the  
several  
counties of  
the state.**

Approved March 27, 1897.

**CHAP. 256****Chapter 256.**

Resolve authorizing the land agent to sell certain public lots in Moro Plantation.

Sale of lots  
in Moro, au-  
thorized.

*Resolved*, That the land agent is hereby authorized to sell and convey to actual settlers thereon certain lands in Moro plantation, lots numbers eighty, eighty-two, eighty-three, eighty-four and eighty-six, constituting part of the school lots of said plantation, if he deems such sales advisable, for such price per acre and on such terms of payment as he may deem advantageous; provided, that in making sales of said lands the legal and equitable rights of persons claiming under said settlers shall be considered and preserved; and provided, also, that the proceeds of any sales made shall be added to the school funds of said plantation.

Approved March 27, 1887.

**Chapter 257.**

Resolve to care for the unfinished buildings of the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital.

Care of  
Eastern  
Maine In-  
sane hos-  
pital, in  
favor of.

*Resolved*, That the governor and council are hereby directed to care for and preserve the building called the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital, and to protect the property by selecting watchmen, if necessary, and to do any other act that in their judgment is proper to preserve the same, and that the sum of fifteen hundred dollars for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven and fifteen hundred dollars for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight is hereby appropriated for that purpose, the governor and council to use so much of such appropriations as shall be in their judgment necessary for the purposes above specified.

Approved March 27, 1887.

**Chapter 258.**

Resolve in favor of the Ex-Governor King lot, in Oak Grove cemetery in the city of Bath.

Care of Ex-  
Governor  
King lot,  
in favor of.

*Resolved*, That the sum of one thousand dollars be appropriated for the perpetual care of the Ex-Governor King lot, in Oak Grove cemetery, in the city of Bath, and the same to be paid to the city treasurer of Bath, Maine, who is hereby authorized to expend annually four per cent of said amount upon said lot.

Approved March 27, 1887.

**Chapter 259.****CHAP. 259**

Resolves for amendment to the Constitution relating to election of senators to fill vacancies.

*Resolved*, Two-thirds of both branches of the legislature concurring, that the following amendment to the constitution of the state of Maine be proposed for the action of the legal voters of this state at the next gubernatorial election in the manner prescribed by the constitution: Section five, in article four, part two, is hereby amended by striking out the words "and in this manner all vacancies in the senate shall be supplied as soon as may be after such vacancies happen," and substituting therefor the following: 'But all vacancies in the senate arising from death, resignation, removal from the state or like causes, shall be filled by an immediate election in the unrepresented district. The governor shall issue his proclamation therefor and therein fix the time of such election.'

Vacancies in senators, filling of.

*Resolved*, That the aldermen of cities, the selectmen of towns and the assessors of the several plantations of this state are hereby empowered and directed to notify the voters of their respective cities, towns and plantations in the manner prescribed by law at the meeting in September in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight to give in their votes upon the amendment proposed in the foregoing resolution and the question shall be: "Shall the constitution be amended as proposed by a resolution of the legislature providing that vacancies in the senate, arising from death, resignation, removal from the state or like causes, shall be filled by an immediate election in the unrepresented district," and the inhabitants of said cities, towns and plantations shall vote by ballot on said question, those favoring the amendment voting 'yes,' and those opposed voting 'no' upon their ballots, and the ballots shall be received, sorted, counted and declared in open ward, town and plantation meeting and lists of the votes so received shall be made and returned to the office of the secretary of state in the same manner as votes for governor and members of the legislature, and the governor and council shall count the same and make return to the next legislature, and, if it shall appear that a majority of the votes are in favor of the amendment, the constitution shall be amended accordingly.

*Resolved*, That the secretary of state shall prepare and furnish to the several cities, towns and plantations, ballots and blank returns in conformity to the foregoing resolves accompanied by a copy thereof.

Approved March 27, 1897.

CHAP. 260**Chapter 260.**

Resolve in favor of the Maine State Cattle Commission.

Cattle com-  
missioners,  
in favor of.

*Resolved*, That there be and hereby is appropriated for the Maine State Cattle Commission the sum of ten thousand dollars for the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, and five thousand dollars for the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight; provided, that no part of this appropriation shall be paid to the commission until the secretary of the commission shall have filed a bond in accordance with section eleven of the law relating to contagious diseases among cattle; and further provided, that no part of this appropriation shall be paid to the commission until they have made, recorded and published rules and regulations and had them approved by the governor in accordance with section three of an act to extirpate contagious diseases among cattle; and no further amounts shall be expended by said commission unless by special authority of the governor and council; provided, that there shall first be paid from said appropriation to the owners of animals heretofore slaughtered by said commissioners such sums as the governor and council shall find to be due them under the provisions of law; and provided further, that no part of said appropriation shall be paid to any of said commissioners for expenses or services heretofore expended or rendered unless the same were expended and rendered in accordance with the provisions of section nineteen of chapter two of the revised statutes.

Approved March 27, 1897.

**Chapter 261.**

Resolve providing for the payment of the Contingent Expenses of the Legislature.

Contingent  
expenses of  
legislature,  
payment of.

*Resolved*, That there be paid from the treasury to the secretary of the senate, for furnishing daily papers to the members and officers of the senate, to members and officers of the house of representatives, and to the executive council, during the present session; for advertising for the legislature and executive council, and for postage and transportation of mail and documents for the senate and house of representatives, and for auditing, filing and paying bills for the same, the sum of six thousand three hundred and seventy-five dollars.

Approved March 27, 1897.

PAY ROLL of the members and officers of the Senate of the CHAP. 262

Sixty-Eighth Legislature, at the session held at Augusta, commencing on the sixth day of January, and closing on the twenty-seventh day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

DISTRICTS.	NAMES.	Amount for Attendance.	Miles.	Mileage.	Total Pay.
First.....	Frank H. Hargraves.....	\$150	85	\$17	\$167
	Daniel A. Hurd.....	150	100	20	170
	LeRoy F. Pike .....	150	100	20	170
Second ....	Josiah H. Drummond, Jr.,	150	65	13	163
	Edward C. Reynolds.....	150	70	14	164
	Cyrus S. Witham .....	150	100	20	170
	Matthew C. Morrill .....	150	85	17	167
	Olcott B. Poor .....	150	140	28	178
Third .....	John A. Roberts.....	150	100	20	170
	Albert R. Savage .....	150	60	12	162
Fourth ....	J. Wesley Maxwell.....	150	55	11	161
Fifth .....	Nathan U. Hinkley.....	150	120	24	174
Sixth .....	M. H. Ferguson .....	150	50	10	160
Seventh ...	Martin L. Reynolds .....	150	20	4	154
	Oliver B. Clason.....	150	10	2	152
	Perham S. Heald.....	150	20	4	154
Eighth ....	Milton L. Merrill .....	150	60	12	162
	Tilson D. Salley .....	150	50	10	160
Ninth .....	Willis E. Parsons.....	150	75	15	165
Tenth .....	Albert R. Day, President,	300	65	13	313
	William Engel.....	150	75	15	165
	Edgar B. Weeks.....	150	95	19	169
Eleventh ..	Henry H. Chamberlain...	150	80	16	166
Twelfth ...	Frederick S. Walls.....	150	115	23	173
Thirteenth,	Adoniram J. Billings ....	150	50	10	160
Fourteenth,	Gilbert E. Simpson.....	150	125	25	175
	Rufus P. Grindle .....	150	120	24	174
Fifteenth ..	Charles A. McCullough ..	150	295	59	209
	Edgar A. Wyman.....	150	300	60	210
Sixteenth ..	Louis C. Stearns.....	150	275	55	205
	Henry C. Sharp.....	150	230	46	196

Total for attendance ..... \$4,800

Total for travel, 3,190 miles ..... 638

Total for members..... \$5,438

## OFFICERS.

OFFICE.	NAMES.	Amount for Attendance.	Miles.	Mileage.	Total Pay.
Secretary....	Kendall M. Dunbar....	\$800	65	\$13	\$813
		300			300
Ass't Sec'y...	Amos K. Butler.....	300	120	24	324
		300			300
	Harold R. Smith,				
	at organization,	150	50	10	160
Messenger ...	Charles H. Lovejoy....	150	20	4	154
		150			150
Ass't Mess...	James F. Ashford.....	150	15	3	153
		150			150
Folder .....	A. B. T. Chadbourne..	150	80	16	166
		150			150
Ass't Folder..	John A. Burton.....	150	65	13	163
		150			150
Mail Carrier..	Simeon A. Holden ....	150	155	31	181
		150			150
Door Keeper..	Charles L. Favour ....	150	125	25	175
		150			150
Pages .....	Maurice W. Russell ...	75	5	1	76
		75			75
	Walter B. Clark .....	75	75	15	90
		75			75
Reporter ....	W. E. Perkins.....	300	5	1	301
		300			300
Stenographer and Type- writer.....	Julia M. Folsom .....	150	5	1	151
Total for attendance .....				\$4,700	
Total for travel .....				157	
Total.....					\$4,857



## CHAPLAINS.

RESIDENCE.	NAMES.	Days.	Amount.
Augusta.....	Rev. Mr. Crosby .....	2	\$4
	Rev. Mr. Cummings .....	2	4
	Rev. Fr. Dority .....	2	4
	Rev. Mr. Frost .....	2	4
	Rev. Mr. Gibson .....	2	4
	Rev. Mr. Hayden.....	2	4
	Rev. Mr. Huffman .....	1	2
	Rev. Mr. Leech .....	2	4
	Rev. Mr. Livingston .....	3	6
	Rev. Mr. Newbert .....	2	4
	Rev. Mr. Snyder .....	3	6
	Rev. Mr. Williamson.....	4	8
	Rev. Mr. Wyman.....	2	4
Gardiner .....	Rev. Mr. Barber.....	1	2
	Rev. Mr. George .....	2	4
	Rev. Mr. Henry .....	2	4
	Rev. Mr. Quimby.....	2	4
	Rev. Mr. Ringold.....	2	4
	Rev. Mr. Struthers.....	2	4
Hallowell .....	Rev. Mr. Thayer .....	2	4
	Rev. Mr. Chase .....	2	4
	Rev. Mr. Cochrane.....	2	4
	Rev. Mr. Coons .....	2	4
	Rev. Fr. Nelligan.....	1	2
	Rev. Mr. Parsons.....	2	4
	Rev. Mr. Peckham.....	1	2
	Rev. Mr. Andrews of Gar- land (from the House)...	2	4
	Extra for chaplains .....		6
	Total .....		\$114

## RECAPITULATION.

Members .....	\$5,438
Officers.....	4,857
Chaplains .....	114
Total .....	\$10,409

CHAP. 262**Chapter 262.**

Resolve on the Pay Roll of the Senate.

Pay roll of  
the Senate.  
in favor of.

*Resolved*, That there be paid out of the treasury of the state to the several persons named in the foregoing pay roll the sum set against their names respectively, amounting to the sum of ten thousand four hundred and nine dollars.

Approved March 27, 1887.

PAY ROLL of the members and officers of the House of the CHAP. 263  
 Sixty-Eighth Legislature, at the session held at Augusta,  
 commencing on the sixth day of January, and ending on the  
 twenty-seventh day of March, in the year of our Lord one  
 thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

## COUNTY OF ANDROSCOGGIN.

TOWNS.	NAMES.	Miles Traveled.	Amount for Attendance.	Amount for Travel and Attendance.
Auburn .....	Benjamin F. Briggs....	55	150	161
	James P. Hutchinson...	55	150	161
East Livermore.	J. A. Rowell .....	80	150	166
Lewiston .....	Frank L. Noble.....	55	150	161
	George W. Furbush ...	55	150	161
	Charles A. Forest .....	55	150	161
	Archie L. Talbot.....	55	150	161
Lisbon .....	Walter E. Plummer....	40	150	158
Poland .....	B. M. Fernald .....	90	150	168
Turner .....	Almon C. Day .....	65	150	163
Wales .....	Joseph W. Sawyer ....	60	150	162
				<u>\$ 1,783</u>

## COUNTY OF AROOSTOOK.

Bridgewater ...	Albert L. Chandler ....	250	150	200
Caribou .....	Carl C. King .....	300	150	210
Fort Fairfield ..	Edward L. Houghton ..	295	150	209
Fort Kent .....	William Dickey.....	420	150	234
Frenchville ....	Maxime Gagnon.....	415	150	233
Houlton .....	George H. Gilman.....	220	150	194
Linneus .....	Major W. Bither .....	235	150	197
Masardis .....	Newell D. Smith .....	295	150	209
Presque Isle ...	George H. Smith.....	260	150	202
Smyrna .....	A. P. Daggett .....	260	150	202
Woodland .....	Henry B. Pratt.....	310	150	212
Van Buren.....	Fred B. Violette .....	320	150	214
				<u>\$ 2,516</u>

## COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND.

Casco .....	Richard Cook.....	120	150	174
Cumberland....	Nelson M. Shaw .....	55	150	161
Bridgton .....	Winburn M. Staples ...	115	150	173
Brunswick .....	S. L. Holbrook .....	40	150	158
Deering .....	Myron E. Moore .....	65	150	163
Freeport .....	Winthrop C. Fogg.....	45	150	159

## COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND—CONCLUDED.

TOWNS.	NAMES.	Miles Traveled.	Amount for Attendance.	Amount for Travel and Attendance.
Gorham .....	Elbridge M. Wilson ...	75	150	165
Gray .....	James T. Hancock .....	70	150	164
Portland .....	Seth L. Larrabee, Spk'r.	65	300	313
	William J. Knowlton ..	65	150	163
	Frederick D. Winslow .	65	150	163
	Arthur W. Merrill .....	65	150	163
	John Howard Hill .....	65	150	163
	Wilbur C. Whelden ...	65	150	163
Scarborough ...	John M. Kaler .....	150	150	180
Sebago .....	P. P. Larrabee .....	100	150	170
South Portland.	Melville B. Fuller .....	65	150	163
Standish .....	William S. Thompson ..	75	150	165
Westbrook ....	Thurston S. Burns .....	70	150	164
Windham .....	Joseph L. Robinson ...	75	150	165
Yarmouth .....	Harlan P. Prince .....	55	150	161
				<b>\$3,613</b>

## COUNTY OF FRANKLIN.

Farmington ...	George M. Currier ....	100	150	170
New Vineyard..	Samuel B. Luce .....	110	150	172
Strong .....	J. Harvey Conant .....	115	150	173
Wilton .....	Cyrus N. Blanchard ....	90	150	168
				<b>\$683</b>

## COUNTY OF HANCOCK.

Amherst .....	J. Herbert Patten .....	125	150	175
Bluehill .....	John M. Merrill .....	115	150	173
Brooksville ....	Melvin D. Chatto .....	160	150	182
Bucksport .....	Isaac Britton .....	105	150	171
Deer Isle .....	Stephen B. Thurlow ...	200	150	190
Eden .....	Edward B. Rodick .....	125	150	175
Ellsworth .....	Hutson B. Saunders ...	105	150	171
Penobscot .....	Joseph M. Hutchins ...	120	150	174
Sullivan .....	Henry Boynton .....	120	150	174
				<b>\$1,585</b>

## COUNTY OF KENNEBEC.

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TOWNS.	NAMES.	Miles Traveled.	Amount for Attendance.	Amount for Travel and Attendance.
Augusta .....	William H. Williams...	5	\$150	\$151
	George E. Maconber...	5	150	151
Belgrade .....	Henry W. Golder .....	15	150	153
Benton .....	G. F. Tarbell .....	25	150	155
Chelsea .....	Thomas Searls .....	10	150	152
Gardiner .....	Josiah S. Maxey .....	5	150	151
Hallowell .....	D. K. Jewell .....	5	150	151
Litchfield .....	Herbert M. Starbird...	15	150	153
Manchester ....	Charles S. Pope .....	5	150	151
Mount Vernon.	Albion P. Cram .....	50	150	160
Randolph .....	Barrett A. Cox .....	5	150	151
Vassalboro .....	Henry D. B. Ayer .....	15	150	153
Waterville .....	Warren C. Philbrook...	20	150	154
				\$1,986

## COUNTY OF KNOX.

Appleton .....	Milton Thurston .....	100	150	170
Rockland .....	Fred R. Spear .....	95	150	169
	William H. Fogler .....	95	150	169
Rockport .....	Clarence E. McIntire..	100	150	170
Saint George...	Charles E. Lane .....	110	150	172
Thomaston. ...	James A. Levensaler...	85	150	167
Union. ....	Benjamin Burton .....	100	150	170
Vinalhaven.....	Fred E. Littlefield .....	110	150	172
				\$1,359

## COUNTY OF LINCOLN.

Bristol .....	Daniel Mason .....	70	150	164
Edgecomb .....	Ephraim Burnham .....	70	150	164
Jefferson .....	Albert J. Ames .....	75	150	165
Nobleboro .....	Thomas J. York .....	70	150	164
Southport .....	Austin P. Greenleaf...	80	150	166
				\$823

## COUNTY OF OXFORD.

Andover. ....	C. E. Cushman .....	135	150	177
Gilead .....	Harlan P. Wheeler .....	145	150	179
Greenwood ....	Edward W. Penley .....	135	150	177

## COUNTY OF OXFORD—CONCLUDED.

TOWNS.	NAMES.	Miles Traveled.	Amount for Attendance.	Amount for Travel and Attendance.
Hiram .....	Almon Young .....	100	\$150	\$170
Milton Pl. ....	George E. Brown .....	150	150	180
Paris .....	Isaac Rounds .....	85	150	167
				\$1,050

## COUNTY OF PENOBSCOT.

Bangor .....	Joab W. Palmer .....	75	150	165
	Isaiah K. Stetson .....	75	150	165
	Charles S. Pearl .....	75	150	165
Brewer .....	Frank A. Floyd .....	80	150	166
Carroll .....	Alexander M. Tolman ..	160	150	182
Corinna .....	William I. Burrill .....	60	150	162
Corinth .....	Charles E. Edmunds .....	95	150	169
Garland .....	Andrew P. Andrews .....	75	150	165
Hampden .....	George W. Smith .....	80	150	166
Levant .....	Charles W. Fernald .....	90	150	168
Lincoln .....	Nathaniel M. Jones .....	120	150	174
Mattawamkeag ..	James H. Hamilton .....	135	150	177
Maxfield .....	Eben S. Goodrich .....	120	150	174
Milford .....	Mellen A. Austin .....	90	150	168
Newburgh .....	Amos W. Knowlton .....	75	150	165
Old Town .....	George P. Longley .....	95	150	169
Orono .....	A. J. Durgin .....	85	150	167
				\$2,867

## COUNTY OF PISCATAQUIS.

Dover .....	Frank E. Guernsey .....	80	150	166
Guilford .....	Marcellus L. Hussey .....	90	150	168
Medford .....	David A. Hathorn .....	125	150	175
Willimantic ...	Hiram V. Hatheway .....	115	150	173
				\$682

## COUNTY OF SAGadahoc.

Bath .....	Harold M. Sewall .....	40	150	158
	William T. Donnell .....	40	150	158
Richmond .....	Noble Maxwell .....	20	150	154
Topsham .....	F. H. Purinton .....	35	150	157
				\$627

## COUNTY OF SOMERSET.

TOWNS.	NAMES.	Miles Traveled.	Amount for Attendance.	Amount for Travel and Attendance.
Cornville .....	C. C. Kinsman .....	55	150	161
Fairfield .....	George G. Weeks .....	25	150	155
Harmony .....	Reuel H. Reed .....	75	150	165
Moscow .....	Danville S. Moore .....	75	150	165
Norridgewock ..	Henry S. Whiting .....	45	150	159
Pittsfield .....	Alonzo H. Burse .....	45	150	159
Skowhegan ....	Lyman L. Walton .....	40	150	158
				\$1,122

## COUNTY OF WALDO.

Belfast .....	William L. Littlefield ..	75	150	165
Frankfort ....	Albert Peirce .....	90	150	168
Liberty .....	Arthur V. Martin .....	85	150	167
Northport .....	Phineas G. Hurd .....	75	150	165
Searsport .....	James H. Kneeland ....	75	150	165
Thorndike .....	S. A. Coffin .....	50	150	160
				\$990

## COUNTY OF WASHINGTON.

Addison .....	O. A. Holmes .....	295	150	209
Brookton .....	Lewis O. Dudley .....	175	150	185
Calais .....	George A. Murchie ....	295	150	209
Cutler .....	Forrest A. Stevens ....	360	150	222
Dennysville ...	Lyman K. Gardner ....	325	150	215
Eastport .....	Everard E. Newcomb ..	335	150	217
Machias .....	W. R. Pattangall .....	320	150	214
Pembroke .....	Benjamin B. Murray ..	255	150	201
Perry .....	William H. Lincoln ....	320	150	214
Steuben .....	Robert A. Davis .....	135	150	177
				\$ 2,063

## COUNTY OF YORK.

TOWNS.	NAMES.	Miles Traveled.	Amount for Attendance.	Amount for Travel and Attendance.
Acton.....	Samuel H. Garvin.....	135	150	177
Berwick .....	Edward F. Gowell.....	110	150	172
Biddeford .....	Benjamin F. Hamilton	80	150	166
	Frederick M. O'Neil ....	80	150	166
Buxton.....	Samuel B. Shepard .....	100	150	170
Kennebunk ....	Charles K. Littlefield ...	100	150	170
Kittery .....	Frank E. Rowell.....	125	150	175
Lyman .....	Cyrus W. Murphy.....	100	150	170
Newfield .....	George E. Mitchell .....	150	150	180
Saco .....	Joseph H. Shaw.....	80	150	166
Sanford .....	W. E. Sanborn .....	100	150	170
Shapleigh.....	James E. Coffin ... ..	150	150	180
South Berwick .	Albert Goodwin.....	120	150	174
York .....	Joseph W. Simpson.....	130	150	176
				<u>\$2,412</u>



OFFICERS.

OFFICE.	OFFICERS.	Miles Traveled.	Amount for Attendance.	Amount for Travel and Attendance.
Clerk .....	W. S. Cotton.....	45	800	809
			300	300
Assistant Clerk.	E. M. Thompson.....	5	300	301
			300	300
Messenger .....	George H. Fisher.....	90	175	193
			110	110
1st Ass't Mess..	William J. Smith.....	15	150	153
			110	110
2d Ass't Mess..	Fred A. Stevens.....	85	150	167
			110	110
1st Folder.....	J. F. Frederick.....	60	150	162
			110	110
2d Folder .....	Chapin Lydston.....	30	150	156
			110	110
3d Folder .....	Louis J. Brann.....	5	150	151
			110	110
	Silas S. Holbrook, at organization .....			40
Mail Carrier....	Walter I. Neal.....	85	150	167
			110	110
Ass't Mail Car'er	Harry P. Hawes.....	15	150	153
			110	110
	L. H. Hammond, at organization .....			31
Door Keeper...	R. C. Noyes.....	115	150	173
			110	110
Door Keeper...	Walter D. Bean.....	90	150	168
			110	110
Pages .....	Henry J. Mitchell.....	100	100	120
			50	50
	E. W. Delano.....	100	100	120
			50	50
Official Reporter	J. S. Estes.....	300	300	360
			50	50
Official Reporter	A. H. Whitman.....	220	300	344
			50	50
Stenographer and Typewriter	Eva L. Shorey.....		150	150

CHAPLAINS.

RESIDENCE.	NAMES.	Days.	Amount.
Augusta .....	Rev. Mr. Hayden .....	3	\$6
	Rev. Mr. Cummings .....	3	6
	Rev. Mr. Wyman .....	2	4
	Rev. Mr. Williamson .....	2	4
	Rev. Mr. Newbert .....	2	4
	Rev. Mr. Livingston .....	4	8
	Rev. Mr. Snyder .....	2	4
	Rev. Mr. Frost .....	2	4
	Rev. Mr. Crosby .....	2	4
	Rev. Fr. Doherty .....	2	4
	Rev. Mr. Gibson .....	1	2
	Rev. Mr. Leach .....	2	4
Gardiner .....	Rev. Mr. Barber .....	2	4
	Rev. Mr. George .....	1	2
	Rev. Mr. Ringold .....	2	4
	Rev. Mr. Thayer .....	2	4
	Rev. Mr. Quimby .....	1	2
Hallowell .....	Rev. Mr. Struthers .....	2	4
	Rev. Mr. Chase .....	2	4
	Rev. Mr. Parsons .....	2	4
	Rev. Mr. Cochrane .....	2	4
	Rev. Mr. Coons .....	2	4
	Rev. Mr. Peckham .....	1	2
	Andrew P. Andrews of the House .....	5	10

Chapter 263.

Resolve on Pay Roll of the House.

Pay roll of  
the House,  
in favor of.

*Resolved*, That there be paid out of the treasury of the state to the several persons named in the foregoing pay roll the sums set against their names, respectively, amounting to the sum of thirty-two thousand and eighty-one dollars.

Approved March 27, 1897.

# STATE OF MAINE

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OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE, }  
AUGUSTA, May 5, 1897.

I hereby certify that the Acts and Resolves contained in this pamphlet have been carefully compared with the originals, and appear to be correctly printed.

BYRON BOYD,  
*Secretary of State.*

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NOTE.—The Sixty-Eighth Legislature of Maine convened on the sixth day of January and adjourned on the twenty-seventh day of March, 1897.

## GOVERNOR POWERS' ADDRESS.

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*Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives:*

Called and chosen by the voters of the State of Maine to legislate in and for their interests and welfare, during the years 1897 and 1898, we have, one and all of us I sincerely believe, accepted this trust and duty, with a proper appreciation of its importance and many responsibilities; and also with a special determination that whatever has been committed to us to do shall be performed with strict fidelity and unselfish devotion.

At the commencement of this new year we have very much for which to be truly thankful. Our people have been and are to-day signally blest with peace, plenty, and general health and happiness. During the past year the products of our farms have been the most fruitful ever known. The skies are already brightening in our State and Nation with the promise of greater coming industrial prosperity. The clouds of depression and distrust, that have to a great extent injured and paralyzed our industries, are, we hope, fast melting away, and we even now perceive evidences of the dawning of the day when we shall reap and enjoy the beneficial effects, resulting from the recent verdict of the American people in favor of sound currency, protection and good government. Certainly we have escaped all immediate danger of partial repudiation of our public and private indebtedness and practical confiscation of the assets of the industrious and saving. I have an abiding faith that with confidence restored, prosperity and enterprise will ere long once more return to rule and bless our land.

Maine during the past four years has had a steady, though not rapid growth, and has been moving onward in the right direction, building railroads, and developing some of our vast resources, and I believe that I may confidently predict that the immediate future has in store for us much better and greater progress than we have ever before realized or enjoyed.

Our young men have, very generally, ceased to emigrate to the far West as soon as they are old enough to commence life

for themselves. They are beginning to learn and realize the important truth, that at home are to be found more certain inducements and advantages, with much less of hardship, suffering and privation.

Our people have learned, in the stern school of experience, to their sorrow and cost, that a large part of the many millions of money that have been sent westward to enrich and build up that section, and to be invested in all sorts of wild and visionary schemes, will never be returned to them again; and they will no longer permit themselves to be deluded and deceived by specious pretences and false promises rarely ever to be realized. We may therefore reasonably hope that their savings, hereafter, will be largely employed in more fully developing the resources of our own State.

It is sad to contemplate what vast strides we might have made in material prosperity, wealth, and population, if the large sums that have been sent abroad and lost, had been kept at home and carefully invested in legitimate enterprises here. For there were, and are, ample opportunities to use this money in Maine. Factories and mills might now be using our magnificent water powers which are running to waste.

To check this tendency, and to induce our savings banks to invest more largely in Maine, the Legislature of 1893 enacted a law,—which action I cheerfully and gladly supported,—providing for a lighter tax on home investments thereafter made. At the time of its passage I believed the discrimination to be good policy—but too small. I am more firmly convinced of it now than I was then.

The promise of large interests or profits is easily and often made by those who can only repay either principal or interest in case some deal or utopian scheme shall succeed, and yet these flattering assurances have too often found confiding individuals and institutions who have been induced to place faith in them.

We can with confidence call the attention of capital everywhere to the bright prospects and many undeveloped resources of our State, and to the certainty that all investors and investments will not suffer from unfriendly legislation, and will be fairly and equitably treated and protected by equal, just, and wise laws.

We point with just pride and gratification to our State, to its position, past and present, in the councils of the Nation. We have a good soil, a healthy and invigorating climate, an unrivaled

seacoast, excellent harbors, splendid scenery, beautiful lakes and rivers, extensive and magnificent forests, and a general diffusion of education and knowledge free to all. In none is the standard of excellence and intelligence higher.

Every person within our borders enjoys fully the blessings of personal liberty and individual security.

Our many miles of seacoast, with its cool bracing air in mid-summer, dotted o'er with comfortable and often elegant summer cottages and hotels, indented with numerous harbors, bays, and inlets, present to the summer tourist or resident unrivaled advantages and attractions.

Our vast forests abound with moose, deer, caribou, and other game. Our streams, lakes, rivers, and bays, well stocked with many varieties of fish, offer to sportsmen unequaled attractions, and bring, with each recurring year, large and steadily increasing numbers of people, whose sojourn here is pleasant, healthful, and beneficial to themselves and profitable to many of our own citizens.

Certainly it would seem that we have ample inducements to retain our own people, and to draw those to us from other lands who are desirable and worthy to enjoy these advantages with us.

The burdens of taxation in most of our towns are comparatively light, but must necessarily be somewhat commensurate with the privileges enjoyed. We cannot reasonably expect to have good schools, good roads, good municipal government, and all the comforts and blessings of a highly civilized community, without paying for them, and I believe that the tax payers, generally, are willing to do so. They do, however, rightly insist that the assessment, as far as possible, be made to bear equally and equitably upon all property and residents. People do not complain of taxation which is burdensome, if they are convinced of its necessity and equality. We had ample evidence of this during, and for a time after, the close of the late Civil War.

It is sometimes said that if certain species of property is taxed the possessors or owners will leave the State. It is not worth while to bribe such men to stay here by omitting to tax them or their assets. The man who will not willingly bear his fair share, but desires to load it upon his neighbors, we can well spare.

All farms, timber lands, mills, factories, railroads, and the like are certain to be included in the tax gatherer's list, and should not be compelled to pay unreasonably high taxes by reason of other assessable property escaping taxation.

In this connection I would urgently impress upon this Legislature the advisability of going slow and using great care in exempting property from taxation. The tendency in this direction should be checked. It was one of the greatest evils of the middle ages.

To exempt or to fail to tax is simply to add so much more to the amount placed upon property which is included in the lists; and often this additional burden is placed upon property that can ill afford to bear it.

The biennial State Valuation of the State Board of Assessors will contain very important information for your consideration. It will show a steady though not very large increase in wealth, and, judging by the increase in the number of polls, there must have been an additional increase in population of 15,000 in the last two years.

The wisdom of the Legislature in creating this Board has been fully justified by experience and the faithful work it has done.

Under the old system once in ten years only were values equalized and changed. Under the new this takes place every two years and keeps the amount of tax assessed more equitable and proportionate to the value of property in the various cities and towns.

Now our valuations, upon which State and county taxes are assessed, readily respond to and are based upon any changes in value very soon after they occur.

I am glad to know that the Board of Assessors have not so much endeavored to be able to show a large increase in wealth as to more thoroughly equalize the values placed upon property, and it is gratifying to learn that, acting under this rule, notwithstanding a large deduction of \$3,814,535.00 from vessel property, which they were compelled to make under the shipping act of 1895, they are still able to report an increase in these times of depression of \$4,022,628.00.

In the end there can be no doubt that it is the part of wisdom not to create imaginary values on paper, but to act under the rule, which has guided the assessors in making their valuation, that no property should be valued beyond what it is reasonably worth.

We should not, for the sake of showing prosperity or increased wealth, raise values beyond what the facts will warrant.

This Board of State Assessors, ever since its creation, has, as all well know who have had personal intercourse with and business before them, endeavored to do their duty with great fidelity and fairness to all the various property interests of the State.

They found grave inequalities which they have, as far as they reasonably could, corrected, so as to promote equal and just taxation.

The task before them, to obtain an equitable and just valuation, which should do injustice to no interests and no class of property, has been one difficult to perform; but they have been equal to it, and the people are very generally well satisfied with their conclusions.

I think the State owes to them very much for the impartial, patient, and intelligent investigation which they have given to the many important questions that have come before them, and the eminently fair and just conclusions at which they have arrived.

This Board is of so much importance—it being very desirable that all should have confidence in it—that I know you will see to it that none but men of ability, sound judgment, strict integrity, and business experience shall be selected to act as members of it.

The people should have as implicit reliance in this Board of State Assessors, and should feel as much confidence in the correctness and justice of their conclusions, as they do in the Judiciary of our State, and its standard of integrity should be as high.

#### FINANCES.

The financial condition of our State, its available resources under existing laws, and its probable annual expenditures, is a subject in which one and all of our people have a deep interest and one to which I would urgently invite your careful attention and consideration.

The credit of our State is now, and always has been, upon a very high plane. Its three per cent. bonds always command a premium. The large indebtedness, which was a legacy to us from the war of 1861, has been gradually reduced and paid off until at the present time our bonded debt is, in round numbers,



\$2,303,000.00. For several years past it has been extinguished at the rate of \$50,000.00 per annum. Good policy, and a proper regard for future contingencies, demand that we continue during this and next year to pay at least as large an amount.

I shall not at this time, attempt to present to you any extended detailed or itemized exhibit of past or probable future receipts or expenditures.

The reports of the State treasurer, which will be furnished you, and which I trust each of you will carefully examine, will acquaint you with all the necessary data of the past two years, and enable you to form correct conclusions as to the future. They are my sole authority.

But there are certain deductions and conclusions with which I am impressed by an examination of those reports, to which I would invite your best thought and judgment.

The balance in the State treasury at the beginning of the year 1895 was \$458,195.85. The balance there at the present time is, in round numbers, about \$200,000.00. It is very desirable that there should be at all times at least \$100,000.00 to properly carry on its business. The expenditures have exceeded the receipts during the past two years by the large sum of more than \$250,000.00. This has resulted solely from the largely increased appropriations which the last Legislature deemed advisable to make, and from reduced rates of taxation.

The same ratio of receipts and expenditures for the years 1897 and 1898 would create a deficit of more than \$100,000.00. But there is one other important fact to be considered. The receipts for the year 1897 from direct taxation will probably be some \$80,000.00 less than they were in 1895 or 1896, as the tax levied and assessed for 1896 is two and one-fourth mills instead of two and one-half mills which was the rate in 1894 and 1895. The tax assessed for any year is not, to any considerable amount, collected or paid into the treasury until the following year. Hence the decrease in the amount to be received in the year 1897.

It is my deliberate judgment that, in a time of profound peace, we cannot afford to be continually, year after year, running in debt or having our expenditures exceed our receipts and thus creating a constantly increasing deficit, to be tided over by temporary loans or funded into more permanent ones.

We have arrived at a point where it is imperative that our expenditures must be brought within our income.

It is possible that this Legislature may be able to find some sources from which to derive revenue other than those which we now have; but at present I am unable to designate or recommend any other way than by increasing the ratio of direct taxation.

In the light of present experience there can be no doubt that we must restore the one-fourth mill, which was taken off for 1896 from the rate, and assess two and one-half mills for the years 1897 and 1898. This will be returning to the rate of 1894 and 1895, and as undoubtedly every dollar of the people's money which shall be thus raised will be appropriated to their necessities and respond to a well defined and pressing public need; as it is clear that a most wise and rigid economy imperatively calls for it; I am confident that the tax payers will not seriously complain of this increase.

But should we raise the rate beyond two and one-half mills I fear it might subject us to adverse criticism, and perhaps to the charge of extravagance.

People are very sensitive to a marked increase of taxation unless there is some unusual public exigency demanding it.

It is obvious then to my mind that there must and should be a reduction in the amounts appropriated by you, as compared with two years ago, of near \$125,000.00 per annum.

It is for you to inquire and determine, how and where, this reduction or saving can be made, without crippling or doing serious injury to any State institution or worthy object of State aid.

First, you must scrutinize every measure which will open new avenues to the treasury or create additional expenses, and allow none to pass unless their usefulness and immediate necessity is plain and urgent.

Second, you must, in the exercise of a sound discretion and wise economy, grant no more than is absolutely necessary in all cases where the State is bound to provide in whole or in part.

There were many sums, most of them not very large, but amounting to considerable in the aggregate, all indeed for very worthy and deserving objects, appropriated by the Legislature of 1895, which perhaps you may deem advisable, under our changed conditions and existing circumstances, not to continue, and there were other larger sums which you may decide to cut down to somewhat nearer the amount which has formerly been expended for like purposes.

My experience in legislation leads me to believe that all or nearly all of the institutions and objects, that have heretofore received aid, will return to each succeeding legislature generally asking for increased appropriations.

To comply with all these requests, however plausible may be the reasons assigned for so doing by their advocates, would soon bankrupt the treasury.

You in your judgment will doubtless be able to decide correctly when and where to cut down and curtail or refuse altogether.

I have felt it my duty to call your attention to the actual financial condition, and to suggest generally what rules should guide you in dealing with this subject, rather than to specify or enumerate any particular institution or object where retrenchment should be made.

What I have said, however, I do not intend shall apply to any sums necessary to educate the common people, to support our school system, which we do and should foster with no grudging hand, or to provide or care for the unfortunate, insane, or dependent pensioners of the war of 1861.

It is the imperative duty of this State to see to it that no old soldier, or person immediately dependent upon him, suffers from want in his declining years. To do this is not to bestow alms; but rather to recognize and discharge a sacred obligation which we owe to those whose valor saved the Republic, and which, from our wealth and resources, we can willingly and cheerfully pay.

You will therefore make such an appropriation for the State Pension Bureau as its necessities shall call for.

#### SCHOOLS.

The educational interests of our State are of paramount importance, and should be properly and liberally provided for. The perpetuity and stability of our republican form of government are inseparably connected with, and dependent upon, the general intelligence and enlightened patriotism of our citizens.

Every consideration of duty and safety imperatively demand that all shall have a reasonable opportunity, free of charge, to acquire at least a common school education.

Though the facilities for obtaining in our common schools an elementary and practical education are indeed very good,

and doubtless improving each year, they do not fully satisfy or respond to the wants of a large number of students who have the time, the desire, and the ability to pursue a more thorough and extended course of study.

In response to this demand, the State has wisely created a Free High school system, and also established three Normal schools, one in Farmington, one in Gorham and one in Castine. I am confident that very excellent results have been obtained from these High and Normal schools.

We have also changed from what was known as the district to the town system. In many larger towns and cities the change was voluntary. In others the act of the Legislature in 1893 compelled the change. There have been frequent changes in the method of teaching, text books, and manner of supervising our common schools, some of which, it seems to me, have been largely experimental, but on the whole they may have produced some beneficial results, yet the State Superintendent, and many other gentlemen, who are deeply interested in education, and who have carefully examined into the present condition and workings of our common school system, believe that some radical changes are now necessary in order to be, in our school management and instruction, equal to the demands of the time and the best standards of other states. Certainly the educational system of Maine should be of the very best. The State is expending each year over \$600,000.00 for the purposes of education, and the several towns and cities over \$1,200,000.00 more.

This large sum of money should be used upon business principles and with a view of obtaining the greatest possible good. The purpose and object, however praiseworthy it may be, will not excuse the improper use or needless waste of one dollar, and evidently it is worse than wasted when schools are under the control of incompetent and unsuitable supervisors and teachers, for in such cases it undoubtedly dissipates not only the money, but the time and opportunities of the pupils are lost never to be recalled.

In most instances I am confident that the teachers and supervisors take a commendable interest in looking after the schools. In some cases, especially in our small towns, I am led to believe it may not be so. It is not possible, in the remote and sparsely settled towns and plantations, to have schools of the same high grade, or to keep up to the standards of cities and larger and

more wealthy towns. It is claimed, by the friends of education, that the employment of incompetent teachers through favoritism or for some other reason can only be obviated by having all teachers pass an examination before some State board.

For further and more extensive information in reference to the management, condition, and wants of our schools I would refer you to the reports of the present State Superintendent, in which the whole subject is exhaustively treated.

The evils that beset our present system and the advisability of attempting to correct them, or to make any important changes at the present time, will undoubtedly be hereafter presented to your Committee on Education by gentlemen much more familiar with the subject than myself.

#### THE INSANE.

Every humane consideration demands that the insane shall receive the greatest possible care, and the best known treatment. These unfortunate people are peculiarly the wards of the State.

I am confident that in the Insane Hospital at Augusta everything is done that the crowded condition permits, that all patients cared for there, have humane and kind attendants, that the medical staff is competent, and we may well congratulate ourselves that under the wise and careful supervision of its excellent Board of Trustees, there has been no whisper of any practices, such as have been discovered in some kindred institutions in other states.

The number of patients has so largely increased of late, and the necessity of another hospital in the near future was so apparent, that several years ago a tract of land was purchased in the city of Bangor for that purpose. Before doing this additions had been made to the hospital in Augusta, from time to time, until it was deemed unwise to continue this policy further, or, have any more patients aggregated in one place.

The over-crowded condition of the hospital at Augusta compelled the Legislature of 1895 to take further action and appropriate \$150,000 towards erecting the Eastern Maine Hospital on the lot which had been purchased for that purpose. This hospital is intended, in its construction and equipment, to embody all the best modern thought and improvements. A committee authorized by the Legislature was appointed by Gov. Cleaves to superintend the work. Gentlemen of business experience

and integrity, they have, I think, faithfully and wisely expended the sum appropriated. It was not supposed that the sum of \$150,000.00 would complete this undertaking.

It was well understood that the grant would have to be supplemented with other appropriations. The report of this committee will give you in detail full particulars of what has been done, and what they will require to properly continue the work during the years 1897 and 1898. This work must go forward. An appropriation should be made. It is for you to decide what sum you will give them to expend this year and also what sum for the next.

#### INSURANCE.

The reports of the Insurance Commissioner and his recommendations deserve special attention. This question of insurance is one in which very many are deeply interested. Any legislation which can reduce the annual loss must undoubtedly bring lower rates of insurance in time. We are dependent almost wholly on foreign companies for insurance, and the present rates, especially on farm buildings, are so high as to almost prohibit placing policies upon them, in most cases.

There has been considerable legislation on the subject of insurance and yet I doubt if very much has resulted therefrom to insurers or insured.

It would seem that the only way we can hope to obtain the much desired lower rates is to reduce the average loss so as to satisfy the companies that they can give it to us and yet make a reasonable profit.

All then have a personal interest not only in preventing fires, but in ferreting out and punishing any persons who shall willfully burn property to obtain the amounts insured thereon.

#### STATE PRISON AND REFORM SCHOOL.

Your joint committees will visit the State Prison and the Reform School, and thoroughly examine everything connected with the workings of these institutions. The reports of the officers who have charge of them will give you a full insight into their condition, the number of persons therein, and the terms for which they have been committed. The general methods of conducting and governing both should be carefully inquired

into. Not that I doubt the excellence and correctness of the management in all the departments but I do believe in prisons, reform schools, and insane hospitals, nothing should be taken for granted.

In this connection I would call your attention to the fact that under existing laws, as I understand them, R. S. Chapter 142, a boy of only eight years of age may be, for no very grave offence, sent to the Reform School until he is twenty-one. I believe that no boy eight, ten or twelve years of age should be ever irrevocably sentenced to that institution for so long a term; and I submit that it might be wise to try, at least in case of youthful offenders, the indefinite period.

#### INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL, ETC.

The Industrial School for Girls will doubtless receive your favorable consideration, and such assistance as shall enable it to effectually carry on the excellent work it is now doing. Nothing can be more meritorious than to help young persons in starting rightly in the race of life.

The State of Maine should continue to liberally provide for and educate the unfortunate deaf, dumb, and blind, and also willingly aid in caring for the children in the military and naval hospital.

There are other institutions, hospitals, and infirmaries which are doing philanthropic and humanitarian work, alleviating suffering, and caring for those who cannot properly care for themselves, that are deserving of judicious and discriminating assistance. I doubt very much if it is best to encourage an increase in their number. It would seem that less expensive and better results might be obtained from smaller numbers, centrally located, easy of access, where the best professional skill could always be relied upon.

#### MAINE STATE COLLEGE.

The Maine State College has been established little more than thirty years. Those who rocked the cradle of its struggling infancy amid doubts, hopes, and fears, must feel gratified at its remarkable and unprecedented growth.

Its trustees and faculty have been unsparing in their efforts and have succeeded beyond their fondest hope.

In 1893 there were 169 students pursuing the several courses of instruction. At present there are 316, with a certain prospect of still further increase in numbers, notwithstanding the requirements for admission have been raised to some extent. This institution of learning was founded for the express purpose of promoting knowledge of agriculture and the mechanic arts, and to enable the industrial classes, so called, to procure a practical education by reducing the expense so that it would be within their reach. It is in fact, a school "of science and technology," where students who desire sound and useful instruction that shall fit them to enter successfully upon the practical duties of life, rather than to sit under the shadow of a great name like that of Harvard or Yale, can obtain it at a very reasonable cost. It is emphatically a college of and for the common people. It deserves and will receive just treatment from your hands.

The State of Maine when it accepted the land grant from the general government entered into certain obligations which we should faithfully discharge.

This college has a permanent endowment fund of \$231,000. The annual interest of which sum I suppose amounts to some \$10,000. It also receives annually from the U. S. about \$22,000.00 for the purpose of instruction and \$15,000 for investigation in agriculture and the sciences.

Its necessities in excess of these sums must be provided for by the State. What further assistance shall be granted it, and for how long a period that grant shall extend, are questions to be settled by you, so as to promote as far as possible the best interests of the college, and, at the same time, not place too heavy a burden on the tax payers.

Its pressing wants and needs and the financial condition of the treasury for the next two years are factors to be considered in determining what you can and will do for this institution.

#### NATIONAL GUARD.

There are at present in the State two infantry regiments of National Guard composed of twenty-four companies with the usual staff and line officers; also an ambulance and signal corps containing in all some 1,400 officers, non commissioned officers, and privates. These troops go into camp once each year in Augusta.



The number in camp in 1895 was 1,172. I am informed that the number in 1896 was about the same. In 1891 the number in camp was 771. You will see there has been a marked increase in numbers. I also think there has been equal advancement in discipline and soldierly qualities. The guard has not only increased in numbers but in efficiency, and it is a credit to the State.

All who have visited these annual encampments bear witness that the personnel and soldierly bearing of both regiments are, considering their opportunities, of a very high order. They are composed of intelligent, patriotic young men, largely dependent upon their own efforts for success in life, nearly every one of whom is engaged in some useful vocation. All of them are unswervingly loyal to our State and Nation, and have a deep personal interest in preserving the public peace and maintaining our present enviable position as a State. To attain their present excellent condition in drill and marksmanship they have been obliged to devote, without any expectation of remuneration, much time which they could hardly afford to give.

I think you will concur with me that it is wise and prudent to retain the present numbers and efficiency of the State Guard, and that such sums should be appropriated as are necessary and required for that purpose.

The millenium when swords shall be beaten into ploughshares seems as yet some way off.

I see no special reason that should lead to any increase in our present military establishment, yet as Maine is a border State, it seems to me a prudent foresight would determine that we should have a small but effective military organization to form a nucleus to rally around in case any emergency should arise, and certainly the present commendable activity of the national government in building a navy and strengthening our coast defences—the possible complications that may at any time arise from the struggle now going on in Cuba for freedom and independence, are indications, and perhaps the coming shadows of future events, which we should not wholly disregard.

The reports of the Adjutant General, and other information which he will furnish you from his office, will advise you more fully as to what the necessities of the service demand; and I have no doubt you will cheerfully grant them.

## AGRICULTURE, LUMBER AND MANUFACTURES.

Maine is vitally interested in agriculture, lumber and manufactures. Agriculture is the basis of the world's prosperity and wealth. Without it other vocations would cease. It is emphatically the leading and most important industry in our State to-day. A very large part of our people are directly or indirectly interested in it. But I am confident that our agricultural possibilities for improving, by better and more judicious farming, are not as yet fully understood and appreciated even by our own citizens.

Our soil yields larger returns per acre than most of the land in the great farming states of the West. In some sections of Maine cultivation is more difficult and expensive, but this is largely compensated by our nearness to good markets and there are but few sections of other states where the great majority of the farmers possess as good and substantial buildings, are as free from debt, are so prosperous and enjoy so many of the comforts of life as in our own. Yet much more can be accomplished by better and more intelligent methods of cultivation and diversification and proper selection of crops.

Our farmers' institutes are doing excellent work in this direction. They are furnishing much valuable information, and awakening an interest which must produce beneficial results that will more than compensate for all their cost.

Impurity in seeds, especially grass seeds, brought into the State, have done at times great damage by producing crops of noxious weeds instead of grass or grain.

I am inclined to think that something should be done to prevent the sale in our markets of any but reasonably clean seeds. It is not so easy for the average farmer to discover the impurities until it is too late.

It might be well to provide, by appropriate legislation, that there should be some proper inspection and branding of the various grass seeds, mill feeds, etc., imported here, and that they should be marked distinctly what they really are so that no one can be deceived as to what he is purchasing.

In recommending that our farmers and dairy men be protected from fraud along these lines, I think I give expression to the very general wish and desire of a class of men that are certainly entitled to consideration.

Farmers are especially interested in good roads and reasonable freight rates. Our highways in some localities certainly are not what they should be. There are some towns that are not able to make them as desired without aid from the county or State. In some others the money is often injudiciously and improperly expended.

Under existing laws the burden of maintaining roads and building bridges often bears very unequally upon towns and townships, and is anything but proportionate to the benefits conferred.

Correct these inequalities and provide that all road money shall be raised and wisely expended as a prudent man would conduct his own business affairs and you have taken the first, and a very important step towards getting better roads, and responding to a demand which is quite general at present throughout our State.

A careful study of our laws for building and repairing roads, will, I think, convince anyone that they need revision and some radical changes.

It is, however, for you, gentlemen, to determine, after patient investigation, what, if anything, shall be done.

Our railroad service is excellent so far as safety, comfort, and convenience of the travelling public is concerned. Few states, if any, located and settled as ours, can boast better accommodations than we have, and we should indeed be grateful to the men who have the management of our railroads, for their fidelity and constant care and devotion to the public good. Yet I am inclined to the opinion that some of the freight rates are high, compared with what is paid by our competitors in New York and the West, where they have several trunk lines. The greater cost of building and operating here doubtless accounts for a part of this.

This difference in freight often drives our farmers out of our immediate markets by flooding them with the products brought from distant states at much lower cost than we have been able to obtain—a condition alike injurious to the railroads and our citizens, and which I have no doubt the railroads will effectually remedy in the immediate future. They fully realize that it would be a wise, and, in the end the best paying policy, to obviate this as far as possible so that our manufactures by their increased output, and our farmers, by raising larger crops, can

compensate for the lower traffic rates with the additional business which would result, and at the same time have the means to travel and more largely patronize the roads.

Certainly the prosperity of the industries and the people of our State, and our railroads are very largely and inseparably connected.

Our lumbering and manufacturing interests are not in as prosperous condition as could be desired. The unprecedentedly low prices since we have been compelled to meet a large foreign competition in our own markets have pressed heavily upon them.

I am not aware that any new cotton or woolen mills have been erected during the past three years, while many of those already built have been compelled to suspend operation or run at a loss.

Under changed tariff conditions we hope, in the not far distant future, to once more see their former prosperous business return. There have been built, however, within a few years several large pulp and paper mills, and more are in contemplation. These mills have created a new and quite a large demand for spruce and other woods suitable for pulp, and opened a new market for certain kinds of lumber and wood with which our forests abound. This industry, I am confident, is destined to give to Maine very largely the control of the paper production of this country.

Our forests furnish employment for laborers and a home market for a large amount of the products of our farms. They are a source of Maine's wealth, second only to agriculture. Fire is their greatest scourge. All are interested in their preservation.

Any request or recommendation of the Land Agent or Forestry Commissioners, which shall more effectually protect them from destruction by fire, set through carelessness or by design, is of vital importance to all the people of the State as well as to the land owners themselves.

#### LABOR.

The report of the Commissioner of the Bureau of Industrial and Labor Statistics contains much valuable information. Everything that pertains to the interests and welfare of what is termed the labor class is of special importance to us all.

When the wage earners and industrial classes of any country are constantly and remuneratively employed, that Nation is

prosperous and its people contented and happy. I have always believed in and advocated the rights and dignity of labor. I have ever favored all labor organizations designed to promote—by legitimate means,—the welfare of its members. To aid men in securing proper compensation for their services, and a more just division of the product or capital created by them, is praiseworthy and deserves encouragement.

As a rule in the State of Maine there have been no very serious conflicts between employer and employed. We are not cursed with extremes of poverty and wealth; with classes having an almost impassable gulf between them, that look upon each other with mutterings and bitter distrust. All our citizens are, substantially, on the same plane in life. Capital and labor have generally complemented and assisted each other, and we may reasonably hope that this state of things is to continue in the future. Yet there are some labor problems to be solved even in our State.

Many wage earners are engaged in very hazardous vocations on railroads, steamships, and in some factories and mills. Often they cannot and do not know what dangers and perils surround them.

Every humane consideration demands that the best possible safeguards should be thrown about them; and that employers should exercise the highest degree of care in the selection of everything to be used in and about their work.

Questions of this kind involving the liability of employers, and also questions relating to the number of hours of labor under certain conditions and ages, are still being agitated.

You should not grant legislation in any case because it is demanded by the wage earners on the one side, or refuse it because it is opposed by the employers on the other, but rather in the exercise of a sound discretion, and your unbiased judgment, do what you believe to be just and for the best interests of all concerned.

#### PROHIBITION.

A large majority of the people of our State are thoroughly and conscientiously devoted to the principles and practice of temperance, integrity, morality and virtue as a fundamental policy essential to our best development and growth. They believe that the restraining influence of our prohibitory legislation has had a marked effect in eradicating the evils resulting from the liquor traffic.

Doubtless there has not been a full realization of what the most ardent and enthusiastic advocates of prohibition prophesied and hoped, but certainly great good has been accomplished.

In most of our rural country towns the groggery is a thing of the past; and we are moving in the right direction throughout the State.

It is my conviction that what we need to-day is a more active public sentiment in our larger towns and cities, which will enforce the laws we now have, rather than additional penalties that will make the enforcement more uncertain and difficult.

We should never forget that it is the certainty and not the severity of punishment that prevents crime. All efforts to increase this healthy public sentiment until it shall utterly root out and banish this blighting curse from our land should receive the cheerful support of all good citizens. We should take no steps backward. Maine, which boasts the proud honor of having been the pioneer in prohibitory legislation, should and will continue to be a prohibition State.

#### SHIPPING.

Not many years ago the building and sailing of ships was one of the most important industries of our State. We still have the timber and the ship yards, but they are largely silent. Then we could boast a splendid merchant marine,—the finest in the world,—owned by American citizens, sailing under the stars and stripes, officered and manned very largely by American seamen and sailors, the sails of which whitened every sea and contested successfully for the carrying trade of the world.

To-day the United States are paying more than \$100,000,000.00 per annum to foreign vessels and steamships for carrying their merchandise.

I have not time to present the various causes, which, in my judgment, have produced this lamentable condition. But it does seem to me that patriotism, and the best interests of our country, urgently demand that, by proper discrimination and encouragement, this important enterprise should be revived, and work once more resumed in our shipyards along the coast.

A merchant marine would furnish a nursery from which to draw American seamen with which to man our constantly increasing navy.

The Republican National platform and most of the Republican platforms in the various states are pledged to action in this behalf. It is important that something be done and that quickly. The Legislature of 1895 relieved this class of property of very much of the burdens of taxation that it was at that time subject to.

I think we have good reasons to expect that, through our able delegation in Congress, which will gladly do all in its power, effective measures will soon be taken to secure this much needed encouragement and legislation.

#### FISHERIES AND GAME.

During the past two years the Commissioners of Inland Fisheries and Game have used every reasonable effort, and adopted the best known methods of fish culture, to more fully stock our lakes, streams, and rivers with fish suitable for food. They have good reason to hope and believe that success will ultimately crown these endeavors.

Already there has been a marked increase in many rivers and lakes of the several varieties which they are propagating. This work, so plainly beneficial to our State, is deserving reasonable pecuniary aid and support which you will doubtless be pleased to grant.

Under the most prudent and economical management it must necessarily cost considerable sums of money to overcome the many obstacles and replenish our inland waters with fish which shall be attractive to the sportsmen, and also produce excellent food for all.

These commissioners have also for the past two years taken extraordinary care to protect and preserve, especially during close time, the game with which our forests abound, and they have, to a great extent, prevented the indiscriminate and illegal killing of moose, deer, and caribou, which was so common not a very long time ago.

The slaughter by men lumbering in the woods has nearly ceased, and at present most of the guides, woodsmen and settlers upon the outskirts of the forests recognize the wisdom of our game laws and quite generally obey them.

But there are some persons that nothing but the rigid enforcement of these laws will restrain. Hence the evident necessity of having a reasonable number of energetic and efficient game

wardens, whom I think should also act as fire wardens, as it is necessary to protect the forests from fire if we would have game at all.

The commissioners' report will be presented to you and explain what has been done, and what they desire to do, and what further legislation, in their opinion, is needed to prevent the destruction and extermination of moose and caribou, and to enable them to properly care for the game in our woods, and replenish our waters with fish.

Many of our best citizens have a deep and abiding interest in this subject. They claim that hunting and fishing in our forest and streams affords a healthy and invigorating pastime free to all our own people; that it also brings many desirable visitors and sportsmen to our State; and is a source of no small revenue and profit. I have great confidence in the correctness of their conclusions.

The sea shore fisheries of our State furnish employment to many thousands of people and should be carefully guarded and protected against any improper methods of fishing so as not to impair their productiveness.

Not only should there be adequate laws and regulations to accomplish this end, but they should be impartially and thoroughly enforced, and the necessary means must be appropriated for so doing.

#### ELECTION LAWS.

The Republican party demands a free and fair ballot and an honest count. There are no more dangerous and reprehensible crimes than those committed against the purity and honesty of elections. This may be accomplished by fraud, intimidation, or virtual disfranchisement of men who have a constitutional right to vote and have their ballots counted.

Substantially the same results may follow if a large number of voters fail, under existing laws and regulations, to cast votes so marked that they can and will be as the law requires. Our system of voting should be such that the average citizen will be able to select and designate his ballot so that it will count for the candidate of his choice.

From some cause there is an alarmingly large number of defective ballots under our present election laws.

From the best attainable information I am convinced that nearly five thousand persons failed to vote correctly at the last September election, and were consequently disfranchised.



This question came before the Legislature of 1895, through a bill drawn by Hon. James W. Bradbury of Augusta. But it was deemed best to give the existing voting laws a further trial and the bill and accompanying papers were therefore referred to this Legislature.

The whole subject will be before you. I have no definite recommendation to make other than earnestly request that you carefully inquire if there cannot be some changes made, that shall afford the people an opportunity to vote with less difficulties, more certainty of having their ballots counted, and at the same time provide the desired secrecy and also safety from intimidation.

In what I have said I do not wish to be understood as in the least opposing the principles upon which the so-called Australian system is based, as they have my sincere approval, but rather to endeavor to find some more satisfactory method of arranging the details.

#### BANKS, ETC.

Our savings banks, trust companies, and loan and building associations are subject to inspection and examination by the State bank examiner. His reports, which you have before you, demonstrate that they are generally in a sound and healthy condition. There are thirty-four State loan and building associations. Confidence in them was perhaps somewhat shaken by the failure of the Granite State Provident Association of New Hampshire, which had many members in all sections of the State. Yet they are doing, I think, a legitimate business, improving in their management, have had a fairly successful year, and are deserving encouragement and patronage.

There has been one additional trust company, but no new savings banks organized, and there has been no failure or suspension of any of our savings banks during the past two years. This speaks well for their faithful and conservative business management. Yet you should not hesitate to place additional restrictions and safe guards around them, for the further protection of depositors and investors in any of these institutions, if you think their patrons' interest and safety demand it.

I am not prepared to endorse the recommendation of the bank examiner for a reduction of the State tax on savings banks. I am not yet confident of its wisdom or necessity, especially upon investments made outside the State.

I do, however, recognize the fact that a large share of the deposits and assets of these institutions are trust funds, and the hard earned savings of small wage earners, and that any request of these banks should receive from you proper consideration, and they should certainly be relieved, as asked, if the present rates are inequitable or excessive.

#### CORPORATIONS.

Charters conferring special and exclusive privileges, or giving away valuable public franchises, especially where the act of incorporation carries with it the right of eminent domain, and permits the incorporators to take private property for their so called public use, you should scrutinize with great care. They should not be granted solely for individual profit or gain. You should be satisfied, in every instance, that the public good is the principal interest to be served, and that individual or private rights will be amply compensated for any injuries received. I fear that our State has sometimes given away very valuable franchises too readily.

You will have before you, doubtless, many applications for charters which could and should be organized under the general law.

There has been an effort for many years to call a halt. To this end the Constitution was amended so as to require the organization of most corporations under general laws, and ample statutes were provided for so doing. Yet an examination of the acts of the several sessions of the Legislature since that time will show that the volume of private or special legislation is constantly increasing. You should ever keep in view the Constitutional inhibition against creating corporations by legislative enactment when they can be organized under the general provision for so doing.

Laws which tend to create monopolies or prevent a healthy competition are not wise.

In this connection I would invite your attention to Section 1, Chapter 102 of the Public Laws of 1895. This section seems to me to prevent any necessary improvement being made where some prior persons or corporation has merely organized unless you buy it or them off, or get legislative action. I was a member of the Legislature that enacted it.

For some reason it escaped my observation, as I presume it did most of those who were responsible for its passage. As I view it, it contains a novel and sweeping prohibition of almost every public enterprise, until a session of the Legislature shall grant relief,—no matter how much the public convenience may be injured,—in case some rival has located in the same town or city or in some instances in an adjoining one and refuses consent.

I think that you in your judgment will decide that it should be repealed.

The question of the right of the citizen to other or better services,—or to any services at all,—should not be determined by some interested person or corporation that has first attempted to occupy the ground. It should be decided by some impartial tribunal, where the demands of the people shall be heard and respected. The public should not be compelled to wait, perhaps for the space of two years, before they can have an opportunity for a hearing in many cases, no matter how urgent.

I would not, however, advocate interfering with or impairing vested rights where the general public are receiving such services as they have a right to expect.

No corporation should be organized or charter granted merely as a menace to some enterprise already established.

I think that the Legislature acted wisely in providing that, in all cases where it is sought to parallel existing lines of railroad by organizing an electric railroad system under the general law, that it should not be done, unless the railroad commissioners determine that public convenience and necessity require it.

We should encourage investments in our State, by assurance of protection in the use and enjoyment of all franchises against unnecessary competition, so long as the public are well and faithfully served. But the right of the people to good services at a reasonable price should be more sacred than the claims of any monopoly or corporation.

There is also, I apprehend, a tendency toward too much public legislation. Not every proposed change in our statutes is necessarily an improvement; and the burden should be upon those who ask for them to show their necessity and wisdom.

It is better to be conservative rather than to try doubtful experiments. A people is not always governed best that is legislated for most. In very many instances it is not of so

much importance what the law is, as that it be and remain settled so that the people can govern themselves accordingly with a fixed knowledge of its requirements and of their rights and duties.

#### STATE AUDITOR.

I have received several communications from men who have had large experience in our State's affairs, setting forth the necessity of creating the office of State auditor, and also declaring that the State would make a large saving by so doing. I believe that most states have established the office and have a state auditor, whose special duty is to audit all accounts and claims, and draw his warrants upon the state treasury for the amounts found due.

Section 4 of Article 5 of the Constitution provides that the Governor and Council shall draw all warrants of this kind. It would seem to me that if it is desirable to create this office, and establish another bureau, that it might be necessary to submit to the people an amendment to the Constitution in which case we should be able to get an expression of their views upon the subject.

I know full well, that when an office or department is once fastened upon the State, it is almost impossible to get rid of it; though it may have outlived its usefulness and every purpose for which it was originally created. The incumbents, present or prospective, never fail to devise some plausible pretext for its continuance, yet this should not deter us from doing what is absolutely essential to better protect the treasury of the State. But I must express here and now my sincere belief that both good policy, good politics, and strict economy, unmistakably declare that in this time of general depression,—this Legislature so largely Republican, should not,—except for urgent reasons—create a new State office or commission, or increase the salary of any now in existence.

The Constitution of our State declares that the Governor "shall from time to time give the Legislature information of the condition of the State, and recommend to their consideration such measures as he may judge expedient." In this my endeavor to perform that duty I have briefly called your attention to a few of the many subjects upon which it will be your province to deliberate and act. There are many other impor-

tant, varied, and sometimes conflicting interests of the people which will necessarily demand your impartial consideration.

I may, in the course of this session, should I deem it advisable, communicate to you further suggestions.

A spirit of fairness and impartiality and an earnest purpose to accomplish the greatest attainable good for all, rather than to especially benefit any one section, locality, or class of persons, should guide and control your deliberations, dominate and determine your votes.

Gentlemen, in conclusion let me indulge in the hope and belief, that your assembling here will be pleasant to yourselves, profitable to the State, and that the associations and friendships here formed will be lasting, and among the bright memories of our lives never to be forgotten or regretted.

LLEWELLYN POWERS.

## COMMUNICATIONS.

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AUGUSTA, January 12, 1897.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

It is with deep feelings of unfeigned sorrow that I announce to you the sudden and unexpected decease of Hon. Daniel F. Davis of Bangor, who has ably, honorably and faithfully served the State in the House of Representatives, in the Senate and as Governor. He died in Bangor, Saturday morning, January 9th, 1897.

He was a man of spotless integrity and marked ability; a genial, warm-hearted gentleman, whose name and public services are an honor to our State and will be remembered and cherished by the people.

In every relation of life, in all his large business career, in all the public offices of trust and importance which he has held, strict fidelity and a sincere devotion to duty and right have dominated and determined his acts.

I would suggest that it is indeed fitting and proper that this Legislature take such action as shall be necessary to pay a deserved tribute of respect to his memory.

LLEWELLYN POWERS.

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AUGUSTA, March 16, 1897.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

I have the honor herewith to transmit a communication just received from Hon. W. L. Strong, Mayor of the city of New York.

As the subject referred to is one in which our people must be deeply interested, in common with patriotic citizens of all the states, and as it has already assumed national importance, it seems to me proper that the Legislature should have an opportunity to express its judgment as to whether or not our

State should be represented in New York upon this occasion, and to take such action as they may deem necessary in the premises.

LLEWELLYN POWERS.

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AUGUSTA, March 27, 1897.

To the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House:

I have the honor to transmit herewith a list of the Acts and Resolves passed by the Sixty-eighth Legislature and approved by me, numbering 408 Acts and 131 Resolves.

I have no further communication to make.

LLEWELLYN POWERS.

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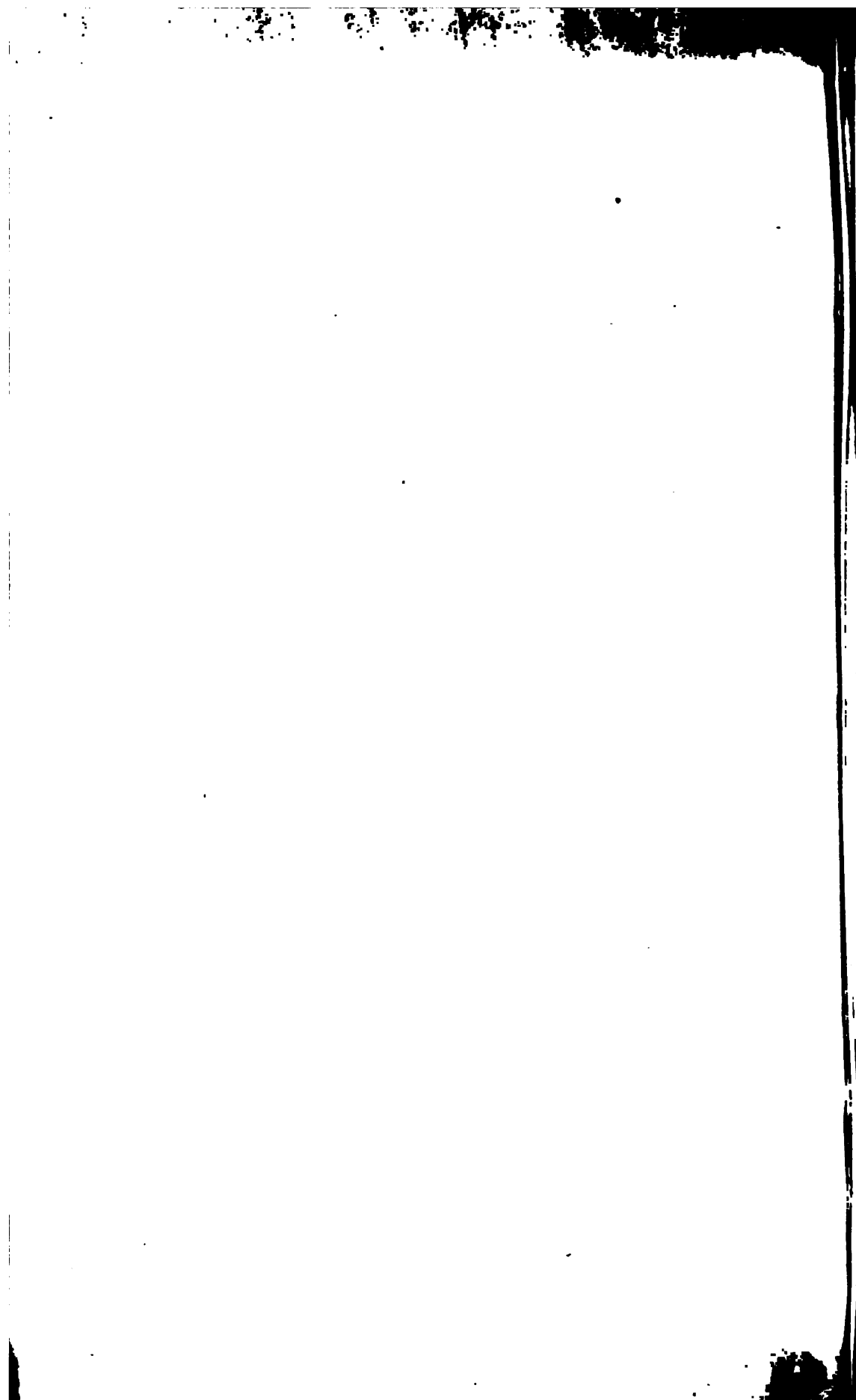














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